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PROF. WASHINGTON

DINES WITH PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT--AN HONOR CONFERRED UPON THE LEADING NEGRO OF AMERICA.

NEGROES ARE AMERICANS

And as Such No Propriety is Violated if the President of the United States Desires to Regard Them as Such

Washington, D. C., Oct. 16, Special.—Booker T. Washington, the well known Negro educator, president of the Tuskegee, Ala. Institute, was a guest of President and Mrs. Roosevelt at dinner at the White House to-night. Mr. Washington is probably the first American Negro to dine with a President of the United States and his family, although it was reported that President Cleveland once entertained a Negro friend at the White House board.

Since President Roosevelt occupied the White House there has hardly been a dinner or luncheon without its guests, and as the President has been so free with his invitations no special list of guests is prepared and the ushers do not know who the guests will be until they arrive. To-night, just before 8 o'clock, a Negro in evening dress presented himself at the White House door, and, giving his name, said that he was to dine with the President. Booker Washington has made several visits to the White House and his face is known there, so he was at once admitted into the private apartments and the President notified of his arrival. No other guest arrived and the dinner was soon served.

Dinner at the White House since the Roosevelts have occupied the mansion has been a family affair, Mrs. Roosevelt and the two children appearing at the table with father, mother and guest. After dinner the President takes his guests to the library, there, over cigars, things political and otherwise are discussed.

To-night the usual order of affairs was not disturbed on account of the color of the guest of honor, and Mr. Washington left the White House about 10 o'clock apparently very much pleased with his dinner and his chat with the President.

NEW YORK, October 21.—Booker T. Washington, the Negro orator and president of Tuskegee Institute, when asked as to the meaning of the violent denunciation of President Roosevelt by a number of Southern newspapers for entertaining him at dinner in the White House, said:

"I think the newspapers of the South do not voice the opinion of the Southern people. However, they are hurting the entire South more than they are President Roosevelt. They represent a transient emotional sentiment on the part of a class of the white people of the South, but such feelings do not indicate the general feeling and opinion of Southern people.

"I have known President Roosevelt for a number of years. We have consulted together many times over matters pertaining to my race in the South. As far as I can learn of him he makes no distinction as to the color of a man's cuticle when he wants to get at facts, and is as ready to consult with the Negro, Indian or Chinaman as he is with the Anglo-Saxon.

"There were two or three other guests with us at the dinner given by the President. It was a private affair."

"Have you not been received at the homes of some of the best white people of the South?" was asked.

"I have," said Mr. Washington.

PARIS, October 21.—Booker T. Washington, the Negro whose dinner at the White Mouse as President Roosevelt's guest has elicited the outbursts of indignation in the newspapers of the Southern States, which are reproduced at length in the Parisian journals, is well known in Paris.

Mr. Washington was here some years ago on an educational mission, and was received in a most friendly manner by the Cabinet ministers and the highest functionaries of France. On one occasion he dined at the same table at which were present three Cabinet ministers—M. Myric de Villers, the colonial governor; Ambassador Porter, Edourad Rod, the novelist; Iules Claretic, administrator of the Comedie Francais; the Marquis de Rochambeau, and other noble Frenchmen.

The contents of the French press, which nowadays closely follows everything pertaining to the personality of President Roosevelt, are enthusiastically in favor of the President having had the moral courage to break what is considered here as a narrow-minded antiquated race prejudice.

The Journal des Debats publishes a leading editorial on the subject, headed "The Une Tempete Autour d'Un Negre," in which the violent language attributed to the Memphis Scimitar and the Tennessee Appeal is picturesquely translated into French.

Items of News

Muncie, Ind. Special.—Monday evening a reception was given Rev. Johnson, the new minister, by the "Silver Leaf Club."....Dr. Atkins of Anderson, Ind., was in the city Monday in the interest of a K. of P. Lodge which he hopes to constitute in this city.... The Utopian Literary Society have for debate this week, Resolved "That Our Country's Shame is greater than its Glory," leaders on same are Mr. W. H. Stokes and Mr. Edward Rickman.... The Patriarchie gave an Old Folks' Entertainment Tuesday evening, at which time an easy chair was given the oldest person in the house....The Trinity M. E. Church gave a Guessing Contest Wednesday evening at which time a prize was given the lucky person....The Richmond Mystic Shriners have extended an invitation to the churches and citizens of Muncie to attend the preaching of the Annual sermon of that Society, which will occur Sunday, Oct. 27. A grand street parade at 2 o'clock that afternoon will be one of the features of the day's proceedings. An excursion will be run over the C. R. & M., $1.00 for the round trip....Mr. Peal who recently moved to this city from Dayton, O., and who was burned out about two weeks ago, is seriously ill with typhoid fever, and in needy circumstances..... Mr. Rhodes of Anderson was in the city, the guest of relatives....Mrs. John Douglass of E. Jackson st. is ill.

News Notes.

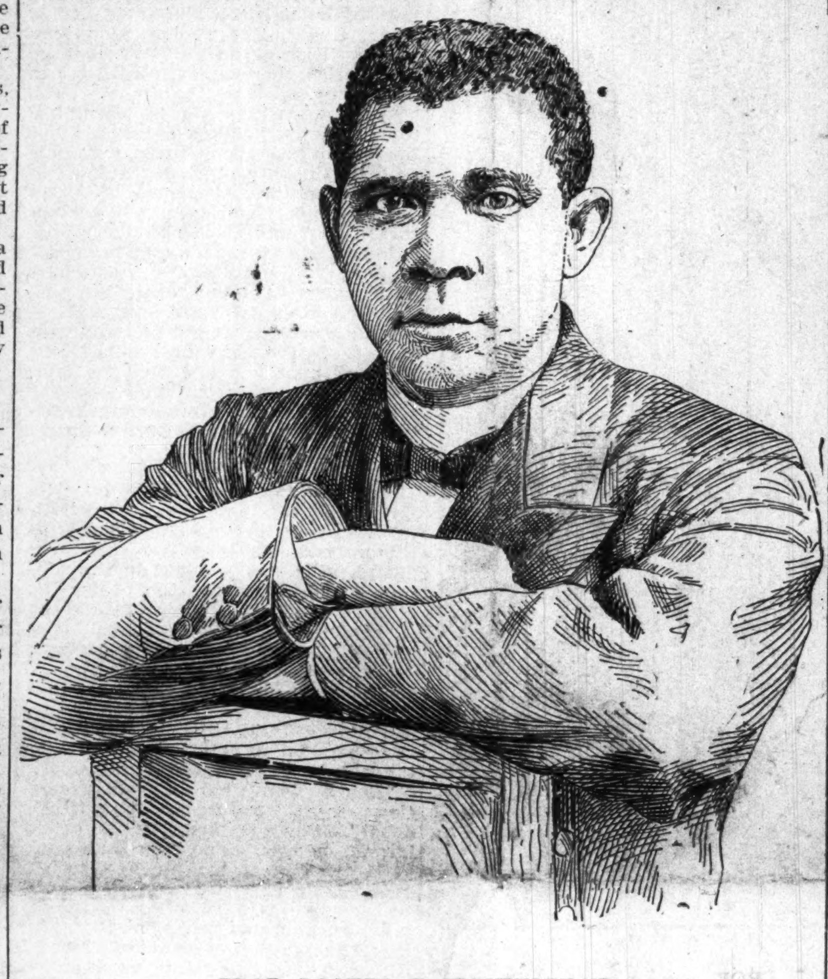
Ironton, Mo. Special.—Mrs. Maude Blanks, Mrs. Martin and Mr. Fred Ghart spent Sunday in Farmington, Mo.,....The people of Ironton would be delighted to hear Hon. Geo. L. Knox's famous speech, "The American Negro and his Possibilities.".... Always when in Ironton call at Mr. Vaughn's and get a nice warm meal for 25 cents....Friends would like to hear from Prince McCabe....Mr. Albert Hunt has returned from Poplar Bluff....Mr. Fred Ghart and Robert Berryman spent a pleasant visit in Farmington, Mo....An entertainment was given Wednesday night by the young members of the M. E. Church for their pastor, Rev. Hill....The Ladies Court of Calanthe will set up on the 26th of October. The Knights of Pythias also have some candidates to make on the same date....Mrs. H. Boyd and sister, Mrs. Coombs, are visiting relatives in Potosi, Mo.

Interesting Items

Chicago, Ill. Special.—Mr. Lee C. Andrson and Peter N. Kink ententained the Young Ladies Culture Club at progressive whist Friday evening, Oct. 18, at 3641 Dearborn street. The competitors were Misses Daisy E. Hogatt, Belle Bronston, Nina Davis, Alice Lawson, Lorena C. Mc Spadden, Susie P. Oglesby, Eliza V. Caldwell, Anna Fergerson; Mr. and Mrs. Thos. J. Oglesby and Messrs. Stanley, Dortch, Thos. Dixon, John Roach, Abner Hodges, Chas. Miller, Sam Wilkerson, L. C. Anderson and P. N. King. Miss Nina B. Davis won first prize; Mr. Abner A. Hodges and Mr. Charlie Miller won the "booby." Quite a dainty and unique (dutch) lunch was served after which dancing completed the pleasantries of the evening.

Happenings of the Weed.

Normal, Alabama Special.—Dr. G. W. Moore, the field secretary of the A. M. A. Society paid us a pleasant visit last week. His address before the teachers and students was very instructive and practical. He inspected the work and was highly pleased with the progress being made here....We are very glad to announce that Mrs. A. W. Hunton, who formerly taught in this institution is again with us. Mrs. Hunton, ten years ago was one of the best teachers of this institution and is an ardent supporter of the good work being done here.



PROF. BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Houston Happenings.

Houston, Tex. Special.—Before adjournment of the criminal district court recently, Judge A. C. Allen had Henry Randall brought into his presence, whereupon he sentenced him to be hanged by the neck until he is pronounced dead, in the county jail, by the sheriff, on Friday, November 29, 1901, the Friday after Thanksgiving Day, for the crime of murder, which he committed on the night of September 23, 1900. Randall disembowled his sweetheart Miss Lulu Davis with a razor, and then attempted to kill himself. The tragedy happened out in the 3rd ward. Randall, after disemboweling his sweetheart attempted to take his own life. He cut his throat twice, making two terrible cuts. The woman died twenty-four after the crime was committed.....Houston can boast of two afternoon papers, "The Herald," and "The Chronicle." The new afternoon newspaper made its appearance on the 4th inst. It is a clearly printed, skillfully arranged and above all it is only 2 cents a copy. It is printed every afternoon except Sunday....The sidewalk along the market square on Davis street is in a bad condition....The dead body of a newly born colored baby was found in a ditch at the corner of Hamilton and Preston streets on the 14th inst.... Houston is fast coming to the front, a new enterprise for this city is the Bourke-Cargill Company, stationery manufacturers and dealers with a capital stock of $30,000, fully paid up. This company is located in the Camp building on Fannin street....A large force of colored men were placed at work the 10th inst on Preston avenue by the Water and Gas Companies. The force will take up the work of lowering all the gas and water pipes along the avenue, so as to be safe from the street paving which will begin soon.....The colored waiters of the Hutchins House were discharged on the 14th inst by the manager and fourteen young white ladies arrived from Kansas City and have taken their places....Mr. Henry Ferguson, a prominent colored politician who has held many offices, died on the 15th inst at Eagle Pass. The funeral occurred here on Tuesday the 18th inst. He was buried in the Olivewood Cemetery....Invitations have been issued announcing the double marriage of Mr. James Grimes and Miss Pearl Hurt—Mr. Noah Wallace and Miss Mamie Trap, which will occur at Antioch Baptist church, Wednesday evening, Oct. 30 at 8 o'clock. The prominence of the contracting parties will make the double wedding one of the most notable of like events during the present season....Mr. Sidney Isles returned from Galveston recently after spending a month by the sad sea waves....Mr. M. B. Gibson is now running the elevator at the Moore & Burnett Building....Mr. Steve Gibson, chief cook at Hotel Bristol, is one of the Freeman's great admirers. ....Mr. Ed Jones, a popular young man of this city who was in the employment of the Pullman Sleeping Car Company is now working at the Rice Hotel....Read the Freeman. For sale by Chas Denmon, the Freeman hustler. ....Subscribe for the Freeman through our correspondent, Jas. Samuel Greene, 512 Main street. Only $1.50 per year.

Weekly News.

Nachez, Miss. Special.—The A. M. E. Church is progressing nicely; the debt for gas of $230 has been paid, and electric lights now decorate the church and the parsonage has received some attention....A society has been organized by the pastor to look after the poor members....Miss Kate Small has brought the Sunday School up to the standard....The pastor, N. B. Stewart, is the right man in the right place.... Hon. Geo. L. Knox of Indianapolis will deliver his lecture "The American Negro and His Possibilities," at this church Friday evening, Nov. 22. A large crowd should greet him.

Notes.

Mineola, Texas Special.—The church is doing well. It is conveniently situated, has a good library and everything is nice and beautiful. Mr. Lee is still the sexton. Rev. A. T. Ayers was with us last Sunday and preached an able sermon....James Ellis has 307 gallons of new syrup....Joseph Martin has returned home....Jeff Carter is in the city....A movement is on foot by Isaiah T. Montgomery of Mississippi to purchase land for the colored people....Mrs. McDowell and Noah Gunter are on the sick list.... When you read the Freeman, you get your money's worth.

Weekly Budget.

Dyersburg, Tenn. Special.—The members of the Tabernacle Baptist church carried on a revival for two weeks....Club No. 1 of the C. M. E. church gave a supper at the U. B. F. Hall last Monday night....Mrs. Harriet Pritchard is improving....Miss Earlie Lathers has been sick with the fever....Prof. J. W. Folke attended the Gibson county Fair at Trenton last week....Last Sunday Prof. C. C. Lathers was a guest of Mr. J. H. Connell, Jr., and on the following Monday left for Walden University, Nashville, Tenn, where he will enter upon his Junior year classical....Mrs. Sarah Connell spent a week's visit with her sister at Foulker's.

Dear Sir:—As I believe that you have the Negro race at heart and endeavor to do all that you can to benefit the Negro so I will say that if you will only encourage the Northern Negro to protest against the Northern white man's way of depriving the Negro of the right of earning an honest living you will do just about as grand a thing as you can do. And another thing I would like to know is why a Negro newspaper will not concede honor and praise to a Negro when honor and praise is due him, unless his praisers are first hurled to the world by the white people and the white press. A. R. M.

Tampa Notes.

Tampa, Fla , Special.—Joe Crooms, a prominent young man of this town and a member of the Beulah Baptist choir, left last week for Live Oak to attend school at the Live Oak Baptist Institute. Mr. Crooms is music teacher in this school, and is making for himself a great name in both literary and music line. Our best wishes are for Mr. Crooms' success. Mrs. Walter Lancaster left last week for Jacksonville. The entertainment given last week at the Episcopal Rectory for the benefit of their Sunday school was well attended by both young and old, and a goodly little sum was raised. Rev. Meeks, editor and publisher of the Intelligencer and Wather-Maker, is progressing fine in both lines. He invites you to step in and see him. Messrs. G. O. Duburse and Will Davis, well known to everybody here, left last week for Jacksonville, their home. While here they made many friends. A great crowd left last Sunday over the Plant system to attend the camp meeting at Lakeland.

Mrs. Trowel, landlady, of restaurant on Central, invites you to drop in and see her when feeling hungry. She serves a good meal, and I am sure will please you. Read The Freeman thoroughly and be convinced you are reading good news. Don't stop The Freeman, if you have been taking it, because you will surely miss something you would like to read. Mr. A. O. Ashley, the Polk street bicycle repairer, says come and see him; he will doctor your wheel and rent you one too. Look out for a long line of Tampa notes next week.

Interesting Items.

Springfield, Ill , Special.—Rev. Dr. Sanders, of St. Paul church, preached an excellent sermon last Sunday morning. Hon. John G. Jones, of Chicago, was in the city last week, the guest of Edward Greene at Mrs. Reinheart's. Misses Vergie and Alice Nelson, two of Springfield's estimable young ladies, visited Chicago last Saturday and Sunday. Ed Kyle visited Chicago last Saturday. Leave orders at Thompson Bros'. grocery store for The Freeman. The young people enjoyed themselves much last Monday night at the entertainment on Washington street. Some of Illinois' most noted colored men have been employed at the Leland hotel, and the corps of young men there now are inteligent and promising. The colored fire company of this city has made a good showing. The fact that learned people are indignant because President Roosevelt dined with Booker T. Washington reminds the writer of "What fools some mortals be."

Death—Items.

Carrollton, Mo., Special.—Mrs. Mattie Bartlett died at her home Monday evening. Aunt Vina Bush is on the sick list. Messrs. Tom Oliver and William Carter made a trip to Brunswick, Mo., last Sunday. Rev. Lewis is pastor of the A. M. E. church. Rev. Botts preached at the Second Baptist church last Sunday.

From Buffalo.

Buffalo, N. Y., Special.—L. J. Rice attended the wedding of Mr. James Brown and Miss Dellar Butler at Dayton, Ohio, October 23, 1901. Mr. Rice was formerly second headwaiter at the Gibbs hotel in that city.

WILBERFORCE ASTIR

DOINGS OF SOCIETY--THE LADIES ARE TAKING THE LEAD--A SWELL AFFAIR BY THE MARRIED LADIES.

TOASTS WERE MANY AND FINE

The Program and Menu Contained a Verse from Paul Lawrence Dunbar Extract from an Address of Mrs. Susie I. Shorter on "Woman."

Wilberforce, O. Special.—No influence for the moral and intellectual development and improvement of the community of Wilberforce, and of the social life of the city of Xenia, is of larger and more important moment than the influence exerted by those organizations supported by the ladies. Of these organizations there are many, and among the best is "The Married Ladies Afternoon Club," of which Mrs. V. Washington is President, Mrs. Arminta Young, Vice-President, Mrs. Harriet Smith, Treasurer and Mrs. Ella Clarke, Secretary. The Club is composed of thirty ladies who are cultured and highly educated and form an important element of the society of Xenia and Wilberforce. The Club was entertained on Friday afternoon, October 18, at 2 o'clock, at the delightful home of Mrs. Susie I. Shorter, wife of Professor Joseph P. Shorter, the Superintendent of the Combined Normal and Industrial Department at Wilberforce University. The following members were present at the calling of the roll: Mesdames A. Meek, R. Washington, E. V. Clark, F. A. Lindsay, N. Ried, A. Young, S. I. Shorter, K. Ferguson, C. Campbell, J. Womack, S. Williams, L. Lewis, H. Brooks, J. Miller, P. Spencer, H. Smith, S. Valentine, J. Holland, M. Maxwell and J. C. Turner. After an important business session the following ladies who formed the invited company were received: Mrs. J. P. Maxwell, Mrs. H. C. Clay, Mrs. F. M. W. Alexander, Mrs. William A. Anderson, Mrs. M. E. Cheeks, and Mrs. Charles Smith. A splendid program was rendered after the dinner was served, the following being the "Toasts:" "Our Club," Mrs. Ella V. Clark; "Current Events," Mrs. Sadie Williams; "Sociability," Mrs. Harriet Smith; "Welcome," Prof. J. P. Shorter; "Response," Mrs. Jennie Womack. The p rogram and menu were beautifully printed and contained a quotation from Mr. Paul Laurence Dunbar. Mrs. Susie I. Shorter is worthy of special praise for the manner in which she entertained her guests. Mrs. Shorter fills many important places in the societies for the improvement of the race. She is State Organizer and Lecturer for the Ohio Conference Branch of the Woman's Mite Missionary Society; Assistant Secretary of the American Association of Educators of Colored Youth, and is a leading spirit in the local Religious societies of Wilberforce. As a lecturer ,her ability is quite marked. She is clear in her thoughts and bold and eloquent in the expression of them. Concluding an address at an important meeting, she had the following to say:

"We have not time to speak of many walks of life where woman is an educator. We shall have to simply hint at dress reform, social reforms, temperance reforms, missionary societies and kindred organizations, and leave her, as we found her, queen of a household. Here she needs all the encouragement and sympathy that a husband and father can give. A workman can not work without tools; neither can a mother educate her boys and girls to be virtuous, mild and sweet tempered, when the father makes the very air they breathe pregnant with the mean, contemptible, fault-finding and everlasting grumbling and never-to-be-satisfied cravings and selfish demands. "Children who grow up in a constant atmosphere of love, are rarely unruly or selfish." The mightiest of all agencies to lead the young in paths of virtue or vice is in the hands of the parents and, however bitter the dose, our children are but an open mirror, before which we may gaze and see the product of our own lives. But, as I

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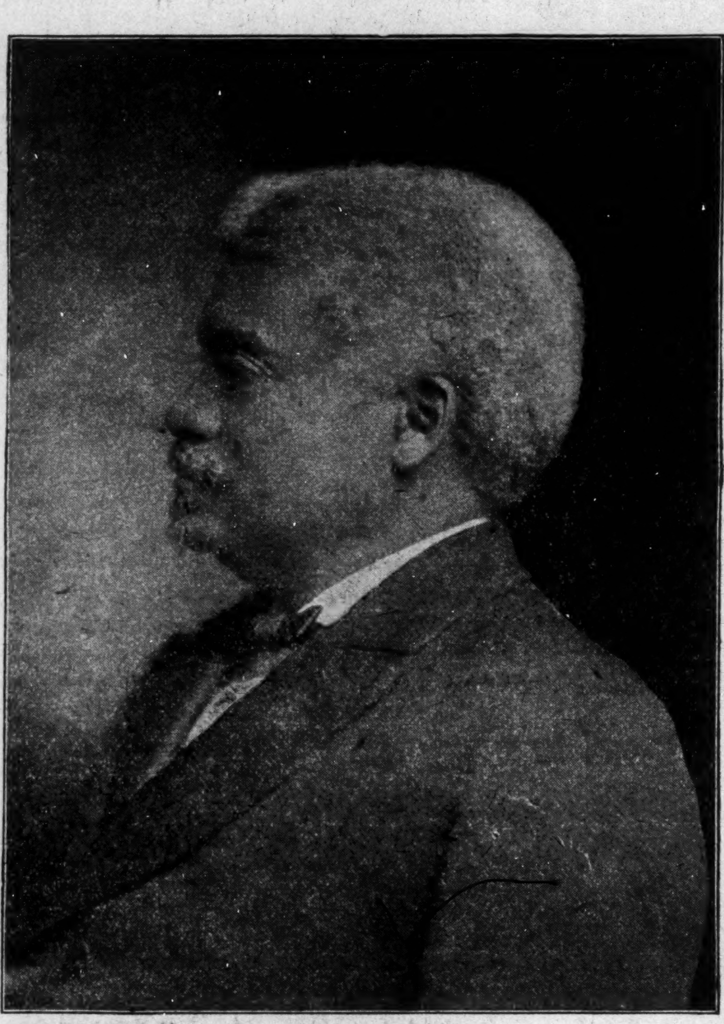

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PART III

The thickness of the heavy carpets so dulled the sound of Elmore's steps that Delma did not hear his approach and was both surprised and confused when she raised her eyes to find him standing in the room calmly watching her.

He was the first to speak.

"I am pleased to note your evident contentment with your new home, Delma, and trust you may be happy here."

The solicitous tone of his voice seemed to convey an undertone of something yet unexpressed. Delma was puzzled. She shot him a quick glance of inquiry which made his eyes quail before the directness of her stare. The suave polished air he quickly assumed, noting her perturbed expression, at once disarmed her suspicions, and she replied pleasantly:

"I am sure to be happy, Mr. Beauford, in the discharge of honest duties which means to father and I the preservation of our little home."

She had risen and stood as if awaiting orders.

"Pray, keep your seat, Delma," he said finally. "There is nothing requiring your immediate attention. Besides, I wish to speak with you. You will find your duties here, as you are pleased to call them, very light, indeed, scarcely duties at all. What I shall require of you will be so closely allied to pleasant pastime that it will be difficult for you to determine where amusement closes and labor begins." Delma once more raised her wondrous eyes and met his unflinchingly. It was as two warriors facing each other, calmly measuring their respective power. "My life here," he went on "is a quiet, and very often a dull one. At times I hunger for a taste of art, a bit of colloquial diversion apace with my studies and reading. I am also very fond of music. As you are fresh from school your accomplishments will doubtless make you especially fitted to serve in the capacity required. You are to be sole mistress here without restriction in any form. Singing to me, reading to me, and the chasing away of the vagabond thoughts which parallel themselves with an over-reaching ambition will be your only duties."

Delma was still standing, and at the conclusion of Elmore's remarks slowly advanced toward him. Her eyes were bent upon him in a deep penetrating state, as if she were trying to read the inmost thoughts of the man before her.

"Mr. Beauford, I am here," she calmly began, "to liquidate, by dint of honest labor, the debt my father owes you. I fear very much that you magnify my ability to serve you along the particular lines you have mentioned; yet I shall do my best to meet the requirements."

"Very good. I am sure we shall get on admirably. Now, one of your most important offices and one which I insist upon being carried out undeviatingly is your appearance at table during each meal—in other words you are to DINE WITH ME!"

Delma staggered under the shock of this announcement as though she had received a stinging blow. She recovered quickly, however, and drew herself up to her fullest height, the just indignation she felt diffusing the hot blood to her beautiful neck and cheeks.

"Mr. Beauford, I fear you are permitting your vagabond thoughts to drift you beyond the proprieties of accepted customs. I am here to SERVE you—not to share in any way your hospitality as a guest. I must therefore beg of you to relieve me from any position conflicting with my sense of womanliness and honor."

"Now see here, Delma," snapped Beauford, his eyes flashing the anger he could no longer restrain, "I have tried in many ways to convey to you the admiration and tender regard you have aroused within me. It is needless to add that I have brought about your advent into this house for the purpose of showing you how devotedly a Beauford can love, and how lavishly they bestow the wealth fortune has placed in their hands upon the objects of their affections. If you are sensible you will lay aside your vaunting whims and accept conditions as they are. No lady in the land shall possess a heart more wholly her's or luxury more generously bestowed than what I offer you. I have been humiliated—more than once by your misguided conceptions of the sanction you think your few years at Nashville demand. That the usages of our Christian and civilized land make it impossible to offer you the protection prescribed by law and matrimony is not my fault. If I can not destroy the prejudiced customs of the times I can, and will, defy them by setting up and observing my own. I love you, Delma, and——"

"Stop sir! I will listen no longer to your vile proposals. Was this the base purpose cloaking your generosity? Was it for this I was inveigled to your house! God have mercy upon me!"

The wretched girl threw herself abondandly in the chair she had previousuly occupied, and leaning her head dejectedly in her hands across the table, presented a spectacle of convulsive despair.

Beauford, with folded arms quietly observed her for a few moments and then slowly walked to her side. His face was a study. What meant the soft tender light in the steel blue eyes? What caused that strong athletic figure to tremble? What made him pause before he touched the shapley hand lying so listlessly on the table at his side? God in his wisdom alone can answer these questions. We advance no theories, therefore we shall have to deny none.

"Delma, are you yet to learn," he said, tenderly bending over her, "that the human heart is, at times, a strange guide in the destiny of mankind, effervescing passions, the trend of which destroys the principles of a better nature? I am not as bad as the proposition I have just made may cause me to appear. You are perfectly safe here from violence of any character, and shall be accorded your own time to carefully consider my wishes in this matter. In the meantime, as the days go by, I hope you may find me altogether different from the bug-bear your imagination may at present picture me." So saying he turned on his heel and left the room.

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For more than an hour the hopeless girl sat at the table with the beautiful head bent in the shapely hands as Elmore had left her. Her sobs were pitiful. She was wrapped in the solitude of the first real sorrow of her life. All of a sudden she sprang up like an enraged tigrėss. The beautiful eyes were dilated and startled as a fawn brought at bay. It were as though some sudden determination had completely transformed her. "We shall see, Mr. Beauford, we shall see, the extent and character of a Beauford's love for the objects of their affection."

"Death were but a sweet portion when endured for virtue's sake!" She walked over to a large mirror and gazed long and earnestly at teh image reflected. That strange stern glare still flashed in her eyes. "Oh, what misery the fatal dowery of good looks entails for an unfortunate girl of mongrel blood," she said, sadly turning away impatiently from the glass. "It shall be war to the last between us. If I can remain in this house until the time required to settle this man's claim upon my father has expired without contamination of body and destruction of soul, I shall have gained all and lost nothing. He has said I should have ample time to consider his proposition. So be it. I will consider it. It is a determined woman's will with God's help and guidance pitted against the designs of a conscienceless plotter of an innocent girl's ruin. Courage Delma, God will not desert you." She started toward the door but stopped suddenly. A tremor ran through her body and her face assumed an unearthly expression of horror. She clasped her hands to her eyes as if she would shut out some frightful scene. She swayed and tottered as one intoxicated. "My God!,, she exclaimed. "No, no, not that!" clasping her hands to her heaving bosom, she paused and listened attentively as if trying to catch some sound coming from the adjoining apartment. Assured that she was alone she calmly remarked "and why not?" If the worst comes and I have no other alternative it will be but an eye for an eye a Life for a Life!"

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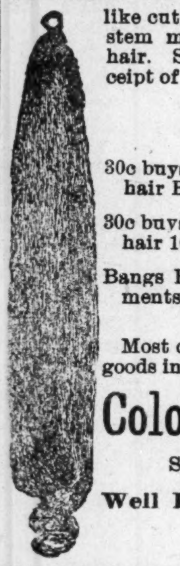

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THE OTHER SIDE.

Happily there are two sides to most stories. When but one side is known there enters the element of doubt as to the total veracity until the other side is known. If the press of the whole country was in accord with the Southern press which is now so industriously putting forth malicious and vicious editorials owing to the President's entertainment of Booker T. Washington, there would be but little assurance of that hoped for better understanding between the races in this country. In the language of the ante-war Negro who, in spite of lowering clouds of black despair, still sang, oftimes with a splitting heart:

"We have a just God to plead our cause.
To plead our cause, to plead our cause."

To what purpose they sang the world now knows.

It has been put in the hearts of Northern white men, just men everywhere to come to the rescue. By that intentive sense of justice, innate, we may say even at the risk of an outrage they have been drawn to the brink of the common danger, and that to save.

"IT'S GOD'S WAY."

Thus, while the rancorous partisans have been trying their best to inflame the country against the Negroes, we have the other side of the picture by the Northern press, the Northern people who are teaching the beautiful lesson of honor to those whom honor is due. We take pleasure of presenting the following from the Indianapolis Journal, a staid old conservative publication, whose opinions stand with the best of our Northland. Under the caption of "The 'Kunnels' Throw Fits" it says:

"President Roosevelt is a hospitable man, has an especial liking for bringing his friends to his table in an informal way, just as if he were a private citizen. In addition to this natural hospitality, which is not a new development, he finds that the leisure and freedom of the dinner hour affords opportunity, not easy to obtain otherwise, to discuss important public questions with gentlemen from different parts of the country. Therefore it is that many representative men, in Washington by chance or by special summons, are privileged to be his guests, and report has it that he and his family seldom dine alone.

On a recent occasion Mr. Booker T. Washington was one of these guests. Mr. Washington, as every one knows, is a most remarkable man, a great man, and the recognized leader of the Negro race, made so by his own force of character and intellectual quality. He is the head of an educational movement whose purpose is to make industrious, honest, loyal men and women out of the Negroes—good citizens in the best sense of the word—and which is succeeding admirably. The leaven of the Tuskegee plan is working in all directions, and its benefits are so apparent as to have won the approval even of the most conservative and irreconcilable of Southerners. As the originator of this movement and as the most notable representative of his race, President Roosevelt found it desirable to listen to his views on certain subjects. Being also a well-mannered gentleman, as well as an intelligent representative citizen, he was invited to dine at the White House with the President and his family. It was a very natural proceeding, but it has stirred up a nest of hornets. All over the South the old-time unreconstructed Southerners are gnashing their teeth and foaming at the mouth. Such a thing as a Negro, an American Negro, dining with the President has, it appears, never occurred before.

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This hullaballoo is all very ridiculous to sane, sensible people. Mr. Roosevelt has said that he means to be President of all the people, not of any party or class. The Negroes, however much the Southern whites would like to wipe them off the political map, are a part of the people. They are citizens whose rights and whose welfare are of as much consequence to the white race as to themselves. The 'Negro question' is important, and the President does well to consider it early. From no one can he learn more about it than from Booker Washington. If he chose to invite him to dinner that is his own affair, and it is not likely that he will endeavor to 'atone' or even to offer the smallest apology to the colonels who are all 'to' up' over his conduct."

That very excellent sheet, the Indianapolis News, as if not to be outdone by its distinguished contemporary, says under the caption, "This is a Free Man's Country":

"The question of prejudice it is useless to argue. But we will say to our Southern brethren that there is no sympathy with their extreme views on this subject, though there is, we believe, an honest wish to understand them. It is true that we have our prejudices too, and there are many of our people who would not think of inviting a Negro to dinner. We have no disposition to conceal the prejudice and narrowness of the North. But there is no feeling that we have been affronted by the President's action. On the contrary, the better opinion is that he is right, and so, entitled to credit for having put from him those narrow theories by which we ourselves are still enthralled. We respect him for his catholicity and broad-mindedness, and envy him the possession of those qualities.

Mr. Washington is really one of the few great men of the country, and we doubt whether there is a man now alive who has served it more intelligently and conscientiously. No man of his race, and probably no man of the white race knows as much about the Negro problem as he does. The President wishes to consult him. And if he chose to consult him at a dinner table at which thousands of less worthy men have eat, he acted entirely within his rights. And when another Southern paper speaks of this act as 'the most damnable outrages which has ever been perpetrated by any citizen of the United States,' it simply reveals its own provincialism and foolishness.

The President's action may stop the work of building up a white man's Republican party in the South, but it will, or ought to have the effect of making us all wonder how it is that we can be so savagely narrow and intolerant. The press of the South has of late shown instances of its breadth and growth. We regret that with so great an opportunity as the present episode afforded the Commercial-Appeal at least might not have found charity in its heart and a good word on its lips for that struggling, heroic son of a struggling race who has been recently honored at the White House."

A like sentiment runs through the Northern papers which goes to prove that the Negroes are not without their friends even though enemies be in abundant evidence. At this crisis of racial affairs the above expressions, coming as they do from the best and most powerful, will prove inspiring to a people whose maltreatment has become proverbial.

ROOSEVFLT-WASHINGTON AFFAIR.

Editor The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.—Please telegraph one hundred words comment on Roosevelt's entertainment of Booker T. Washington and also comment on indignation aroused among Southern whites by President's disregard of color line.

PHILADELPHIA NORTH AMERICAN.

In response to the above telegram the following was sent:

"The South is raising a hubbub because the President entertained Booker T. Washington. He has simply shown that he means to be the President of the whole people. He will not be used to build up a class or party at the expense of classes or parties. Mr. Washington is a very distinguished part of the people. He is the foremost man of his race, and one of the foremost of the country; as such his advice and counsel is valuable. All honor to a President who stands for his country's weal, for the weak and mistreated rather than for presidential succession; it will bring its own reward.

EDITOR FREEMAN."

The above, in the main, represents the sentiment of this paper, and without doubt, the sentiment of the Negroes all over the country. It may be expressed differently, with more rancor and venom, as has characterized the Southern press, but after all it will amount to about the same.

But under the circumstances we are compelled to say more in deference to the race and owing to the incendiary editorials now being flaunted before all eyes. The following from the Scimitar of Memphis, Tenn., may be taken as a fair type of Southern sentiment. It says, under the startling caption, "A Declaration of War":

"If President Roosevelt had announced that he intended to use the army and navy of the United States in defending the right of the Negroes to rule wherever they happened to be in the majority, he would have aroused great indignation in the South, but the feeling would have been far less bitter than that which he has created by his open and flagrant championship of social equality of the races. He would have been opposed by Southern white men as Grant was, the South would have stood against him politically as solid as a wall, but the element of personal rancor would have been lacking. There would have been left the golden bridge by which politica enemies may pass to a better understanding when the passions of the conflict have cooled. In such a case there are on both sides moderate men who oppose extremes of strife, and who finally succeed in bringing about a reconciliation between the opposing forces. At the worst, politics is only war, and after every war comes a certain degree of toleration, if not mutual esteem."

Then follows the "terrible arraignment," after the studiously formulated propositions:

"It is because President Roosevelt has offered this crowning affront to the amour propre of the Southern white people that he will never be forgiven as Grant was. In consideration of all the circumstances of the case, his action in dining Booker Washington at the White House, presumably as the guest of honor at a family party, has the appearance of a deliberately calculated defiance thrown in the face of Southern white men. There was no reason for it that any one can see, except that the President wanted an opportunity to proclaim to the country his determination to break down the social barrier between the races, so far as in his power lies. The act was the more surprising from the fact that the Northerners who have been coddling the Negro ever since the war, have recently shown that they are tiring of their fad, and from the very recent announcement by the President of his intention to make the Republican party in the South 'respectable.'"

This rabid class of speeches is offset by those of the Northern press which makes it more apparent that the day will be soon on when the "Negroes will be judged by fitness, capacity and deeds rather than by hard and fast rules born out of prejudices."

They say to scratch a Russian is to find a Tartar. Benjamin Tillman says: "To scratch a college Negro is to find a savage." These are doubtfully demonstrated propositions. But it has been proven that in scratching Southern white men, you as a rule invoke Negro haters that glory in their hate. Roosevelt is certainly the man of the hour and of the occasion. It might have been expedient for the President to have done other than he did politically considered, but he rose above selfish motives to do honor to one of the first men of the country, Prof. Booker T. Washington of Tuskeege, Ala. In doing this he has shown the stuff that's in him. He stands for the weak and tramelled. The strong and the powerful do not need his protection, hence his own strength. He is not only admired but loved. The plain people have always had a desire to show their love and appreciation for a President who "walked on the earth as they did." These people that Lincoln loved so well, and that so loved him with that kind of love so strongly evinced in the following: "We are coming father Abraham three hundred thousand strong."

Dr. Chas. A. Tutt is a candidate for the Legislature of Kentucky from the 50th district, which is in Louisville. The doctor is a young, capable man who bears the distinction of having successfully groomed W. D Johnson of the Standard for the position he now occupies. Johnson lost out owing to a defective primary election. Tutt is familiarly known as Mark Hanna because of his success with Johnson. He ought to be elected because his district is overwhelmingly Republican owing to the immense Negro vote. If he is elected he will be the first Negro that will have served in the legislature of that State.

A committee of well-known Negroes went before the World's Fair committee at St. Louis, last week, asking for a separate building for Negro exhibts and to suggest ideas of the scope, plan and management of such a building. Among those present were J. Milton Turner, Hale Parker of Chicago, W. M. Farmer, Nelson Crews of Kansas City, Dr. J. W. Scott of Kansas City, Prof. George B. Vashon of St. Louis, Dr. H. Parks of New York, and Dr. J. L. Cohron of St. Louis. J. Milton Turner was the spokesman of the occasion. He made timely remarks as to the propriety of granting the committee's request.

Dr. William T. Harris, United States Commissioner of Education, Washington, D. C., has written the following letter to Dr. Booker T. Washington, respecting his recent publication, "Up from Slavery." It is a flattering commendation and one of which the race has a right to feel proud:

My Dear Professor Washington:—I have read four chapters of your new autobiography "Up from Slavery," and I am anxious to tell you how much pleasure it gives me to say to you that you have made one of the great books of the year. I predict for your book a wide sphere of influence. It will be a great blessing not only to your people but also to all the other part of the Nation, for it will help to guide the Nation out of its difficulty. Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe wrote "Uncle Tom's Cabin" and thereby produced a civil war in the Nation. You have written a book which I think will do more than anything else to guide us to the true road on which we may successfully solve the problems left us by that civil war. I have always admired your work and looked upon you as a benefactor both to white and to colored people, but I think that in writing this autobiography you have come upon a method by which you can increase your usefulness tenfold and a hundredfold by revealing in a book the spirit of your methods. I congratulate you for what you have done and for what your book will do.

It is said that Mr. S. Coleridge Taylor's beautiful Cantata "Hiawatha," which created such a furore in England, will be rendered in Washington, D C. Mr. Taylor is one of the great musicians of Europe. He promises, under certain conditions, to come over and supervise the rendition. Why can't we of Indianapolis have the Cantata rendered?

The cotorie of literary lights that assemble in the rear of John Owen's drug store are much divided as to the propriety of using "Colored," "Negro" or "Afro-American" as distinguishing appellations for Negroes. At last accounts they were at loggerheads with chances for drifting farther apart.

Mayor Bookwalter must be given credit for the interest shown for the colored people since the election. His appointments have not fallen altogether where they were expected, but where they did the most good, perhaps. Practical politics, if you please—nothing ornate.

The Dime Savings Bank of Kingston, N. C., has suspended payment. It, like many other financial concerns, made an outside venture, bad results followed. Its assets, \$15,000, far exceeds the liabilities, \$6,000, and there is no reason why it should not resume business.

The Republican party is safely intrenched in the three departments of government in the city of Indianapolis. The waiting period of the Democrats bids fair to be very long, that is providing the Republicans don't get too gay.

One paper has suggested that ex-Governor Thos. G Jones throw down the insignia of office owing to the Roosevelt-Washington affair. Never that—Mr Jones is but human. Something bigger than that must happen.

Booker T. Washington is in high favor in our city. Many of the most prominent citizens have unhesitatingly declared that he would be a welcome guest at their tables.

It is said that there is a mania for murdering each other among Negroes that has broken out in Selma, Ala. Twenty murders have occurred in the very recent past.

Booker T. Washington, who has been attending the Yale bi-centennial celebration, was the guest of Morris F. Tyler, treasurer, at dinner at Mr. Tyler's residence.

It is said that the Roosevelt-Washington incident will insure the ratification of the new constitution for the State of Alabama.

We want an entire country ruled from Washington City, not an entire white people, but black, white, gray, grizzly—all look alike.

It is said that J. Milton Turner and Frederick Douglass have broken bread with Presidents.

The tall heads were too conspicuous to figure at the political dispensing stall.

Senator Tillman says the Washington dinner will cost 1000 Negro lives. We hope the dear Senator is extremely hyperbolical, most extremely so.

I would rather be right than President.—Theodore Roosevelt.

Vive le President! Vive Monsieur Washington!

The Baptist College venture is still in abeyance.

The Carnival was a doubtful blessing.

WILBERFORCE ASTIR

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was not to discuss man's place, but woman's, I make a hasty retreat to my Fort—

"You talk about a woman's place,
And ask for her location,
As if her teachings all embrace
But part of the creation.
As educator—read her scroll—
'From sea to sea, from pole to pole'
She teacheth love; she teacheth strife;
She knows the bitterest side of life,
She teacheth patience, joy's refrain—
And lulls to rest the heart of pain.
No difference what a woman teaches
Her influence, her power reaches
Above, below—the seamen love her,
She saves their boat—or tips it over,
There is no place—so sings my linnet,
Without a woman in it, in it."

By Charles Alexander.

The World's Work, published by Doubleday, Page & Company, of New York, and of which Mr. Walter H. Page is Editor, is the most practical and valuable magazine of its kind now published in the United States. The Editor's position on all important public questions, and especially such questions as effect the civil rights of the Negro, has always been sympathetic, yet firm; and at the same time, true to the highest and most liberal view of our present-day thought of civil justice. His editorial in the October number of The World's Work, under the caption: "Barbarism and Heroism in the South," is worthy of his noble pen, broad mind, honest heart, and splendid ability. After commenting upon the awful tragedy enacted near Winchester, Tenn., last August, when a Negro was burned to death at the hands of a mob, he said: "This is a depth of cold brutality that has not been reached in any civilized land in modern times. Indeed the degradation of a community can go no further: It has now reached the uttermost depth and, happily, there are signs of a return to civilization." He gives as the signs the sermon delivered at Greenville, Miss., by Rev. Quincy Ewing; the shooting into mobs by two southern sheriffs; the driving away of a mob by a sheriff in Alabama who threatened to shoot; the sending of a force of militia to prevent a mob from taking a Negro from a jail in Georgia, by Governor Chandler; the pleading of Ex-Governor Jones before the Alabama State constitutional convention; and the sending of men to the penitentiary at Wetumpka, Alabama, for taking part in a lynching. He said, commenting upon the influence of such signs of a return to civilization, "In these actions are more hope for Southern orderliness than in any influences that have hitherto been exerted. And such a remedy is the only possible one. Essays on barbarism never change the habits of barbarians. Southern sentiment and the courageous actions of Southern men can work a change, and nothing else can."

This is a very sane view to take of the situation. Resolutions and wild ranting by Negro men, far removed from the scene of action, do more harm than good. If the Southern people can be reached by a wholesome class of entertaining fiction and such other literature as will convince the reader as to what is right and just to all men, such an influence will do more to help on the good work than any other influence now being employed. Mr. Booker T. Washington's books, "Up From Slavery," and "The American Negro," have the ring that will appeal to, and convince Southern men that the Negro is human, and that he is capable of mental, moral and other improvements; and that the white man can not improve himself in the highest and best sense without at the same time improving the Negro, who is so closely associated with him in all material operations for the advancement of his country.

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One Hundred Distinguished Leaders. By Charles Alexander. Published by the Author at Wilberforce, Ohio. Price 25 cents.

This little book contains the portraits and life sketches of 100 leading men of the Negro race in the United States.

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Frederick Douglass. By Charles W. Chestnut. Small, Maynard & Co., Boston, Mass. 141 pages. Price 75 cents.

This brief story of the life of Frederick Douglass is enchanting to say the least. All who are familiar with the remarkable career of Mr. Douglass will agree that Mr. Chestnut had a theme worthy of his brilliant performance; for no life, save that of Mr. Booker T. Washington's furnishes us with a more complete picture or instance of the possibilities of a human being of the humblest origin, by sheer force of inherent superiority of manhood, overcoming every obstacle of whatever character, and attaining an eminence and an honorable distinction that must forever give him a place among the greatest men of his strong, direct, and absolutely fearless day. Mr. Douglass was a great man. There was something self-generated in his character that claimed the admiration of all men who came in contact with him. He was an abie descriptive writer; and the narrative of his own eventful career was always given by him in the most vivid and thrilling manner. As an orator, he occupied a unique place—a place along side of the ablest orators of his day. The Negro race could always, with perfect assurance of the best results, trust its cause into his hands. His manhood began to show itself at an early age. It is as Mr. Chestnut says: "He seems, by his own showing, to have manifested but little appreciation of the wise oversight, the thoughtful care, and the freedom from responsibility with which slavery claimed to hedge around its victims, and he was inclined to spurn the rod rather than kiss it." This life of Mr. Douglass is within reach of all our readers and it would be well for each one to send to the publishers for a copy. We can not afford to forget the great service rendered by this great man for the freedom of a race.

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Descartes' Meditations and Selections from the Principles of Philosophy. Rene Descartes. The Open Court Publishing Company, Chicago, Ill. 248 pages. Price, paper, 35 cents.

This splendid work is a translation from the original text by John Veitch, LL. D., late Professor of Logic and Rhetoric in the University of Glasgow. This is a very serviceable book to those interested in philosophy; for "with Descartes a new period of modern philosophy begins." The Italian Renaissance was his inspiration; but he did not take any one's view as his own, he was an honest seeker after truth. Galileo and Torricelli had made discoveries that were important and valuable; but he was too independent to adopt any one's system. Yet he profited by their discoveries. He was a lover of truth and adopted as his first principle the idea of doubting all things in order that the proper sort of investigation might be carried on to the fullest extent; he was a doubter, but when he had reached the truth he took a firm and herocic stand in its defense. He built his own system of philosophy, and all who have come after him, have, in some measure, looked to his system for guidance. His was a constructive mind. He was original. He looked for truth for himself—by means of his own reasoning. He gives proofs in his philosophy that will stand the test of time. His work is an important one, and the Open Court Publishing Company has rendered science a great service by placing this work on the market at so low a figure.

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Agents who are anxious to represent books of special interest to the Negro race, would do well to send for a copy of "One Hundred Distinguished Leaders," by Charles Alexander, Wilberforce, Ohio, a book that is of considerable value to the race.

Wilberfirce, Ohio.

—Harduppe—"What is your particular mission in life?" Borrowell—"The emancipation of slaves." Harduppe—"Elucidate." Borrowell—"Well, you know there are some men who are slaves to money."

—He was courting a cooking school girl. "I love you with my whole heart," he exclaimed. The maiden blushed. "But Charley says he loves me with his whole heart, and his liver, too," the cooking school girl replied.

Troy News.

Troy, Ala., Special.—Egbert Moore, the well-known cotton sampler of this city, died Saturday night, Oct. 19, at his home. His funeral was attended Sunday afternoon. Mr. Moore formerly lived in Lagrange, Ga., and Eufaula, Ala. He leaves a mother, wife and one child, also a host of friends to mourn their loss.

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A RABBIT'S FOOT COMEDY CO.—Eufaula, Ala., Oct 28; Troy, 29.

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BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS.—Minneapolis, Minn Oct., 27,-Nov., 2.

LOWERY, (Sells Bros. & 4-Paw)—New Orleans, La., Oct. 28; Baton Rouge, 29; Natchez, Miss. 30; Vicksburg, 31; Greenville, Nov. 1; Clarksdale, 2. (Home Sweet Home.)

MAHARA'S MINSTRELS.—West Union, Ia., Oct. 26; Decorah, 28; New Hampton, 29; Cresco, 30; Spring Valley, Minn., 31.

RUSCO & HOLLAND.—Gainesville, Tex., Oct. 28:

THE "TENNESSEEANS."—Erie Kan., Oct., 26; Eldorado, 28; Iola, 29; Kansas City, Mo. 30-Nov. 2.

W. I. SWAIN'S ORIGINAL NASHVILLE STUDENTS, (enroute Pawnee Bill's Wild West Show.)—Neport, Ark., Oct., 28; Wynne, 29; Paragould 30; Poplar Bluff, Mo., 31; Charleston, Nov. 1; Jackson, 2

Clarence Powell sends regards to everybody, thats all

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"The Hottest Coon in Dixie" is filling a weeks engagement in Philadelphia.

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McKissick and Jones send regards to Bradley and Bradley and P. G. Lowery.

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Geyer and West have assumed control of Johnson and Staters' Minstrels.

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Gideons' Nashville Students are playing to good business through Arizona.

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Johnson and Dean write that they had a safe voyage, and are a big success in Berlin.

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Bailey and Spiller are making a big hit with their new and novel musical instruments.

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What's the use of talking about elevating the stage? Every stage has its wings and flies.

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To the genial, big-hearted, good looking Poney Moore, of Chicago.—When will thy glory fade.

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H. S. Wooten sends regards to J. A. Watts and all of No. 2 company, also the Black Patti show

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Cooper, the Ventriloquist is still meeting with success with Richards & Pringle's No. 1 company.

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No, Maude dear; the leading man of a theatrical company is not the man who conducts the orchestra.

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Ben Moore joined Richards and Pringle at Brenham, Texas, on the 14th inst Mr. Moore jumped from Chicago, Ill.

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W. A. Seymour, the "Black Booth" has closed with Gentry's Vandeville and Minstrel Co., and is visiting in Chicago.

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Chas. R. Parker, of the Rusco & Holland's minstrels sends regards to the Byron Family, Dan Washington and all Buffaloes.

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Notes from "A Rabbit's Foot Comedy Co."—We have been out now three weeks, playing to big business. This show is a success and we leave a good impression behind us in every city. We have been playing to crowded houses just behind Al. G Field's Minstrels.

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Constant reader—Black Patti Troubadours are booked to appear at the Park Theatre, Indianapolis, April 21, 22, 23.

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Prof. Frank Clermont did not close with the King & Bush's Colored Minstrels as reported in last week's issue and sends regards to friends.

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Dick Thomas sends regards to each and every member of the No. 2 show. Glad to hear of your success boys, also regards to friends in an out of the profession.

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Harry A. Brown, the sketch artist writes that he is touring the South with Lunette, the Flying Lady, and will return, in January, to his home in Cuba, (Ind)

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Mrs. Sallie Allen Troy, of Birmingham, Ala., in company with Billy and Mrs. Cheatham spent a week in Chattanooga, Tenn., visiting her cousin Mrs. G. Gleen and had the pleasure of visiting the great Lookout mountain.

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Dame Rumor has it, that M. D. Houseley of the Houseley Brothers will take to the matrimonial altar a Western belle from Portland, Ore. All we can say, go on Matt our hearts are with you and can not blame you if it is the girl we think.

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Members of "A Holiday in Coontown" company attended a grand reception at the home of Mr, and Mrs. James Stafford, 819 Blake st., Indianapolis, in honor of Master Edward Stafford, he being a member of the company. The company's rehearsals began Oct. 21 and their first performance takes place on the 27th inst. Would like to hear from Pete Stanley.

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Chas. W. H. Jordan, the young bleached Yo-Gi, the world famed illusionist, who was bitten by a rattlesnake Aug. 9th., will join his company again in St. Louis, Nov. 10th His recovery was unexpected but by the skillful treatment of Dr. Green, a young Afro-American physician, at Knoxville, Tenn., he has managed to pull through and is now able to be at his work

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James Osborne of the Georgia Minstrels has closed his season in Pocatelli, Idaho, Oct. 7, to accept an engagement in Butte, Mont., at the Overland Club. He has many friends in the profession and is a successful young man. He is an indispensable double on the saxophone and trombone having made a decided success in that line of work, thus, signs his intentions on living a more steady home-life in the future. We wish you every success.

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Mlle. Kate L. Ramey, the celebrated Clarksville girl, who is at present starring with the far famed Fisk Jubilee Singers in the role of leading lady and star prima donna is making the hit of her life before the footlights in the West. She has completely captivated Western audiences by her singing and beauty and, since her debut, has received more attention and press notices than any other stage debutante in America. Owing to her rich mezzo-soprano voice, critics style her a nightingale.

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Thomas Edwards, stage manager of the Georgia Minstrels and captain of its great base ball team which is not known to the colored profession other than the Honolulu Co., thinks he can tell you whether we exaggerate or not about our team of which Mr. Edwards is pitcher and catcher and also founder of the team. He sends regards to all professionals and hopes to have a better team together next season. All base ball players and performers of note will do well to address him through The Freeman.

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Phil Sheridan's Big City Sports Company open October 28 at the Empire for a week's engagement. The attraction will be favorably remembered as being one of the strongest on the road last season, and scored an emphatic hit. Manager Sheridan has spared neither time nor expense on this organization for the coming season, and is positive in his declaration that it will surpass all his former efforts. The company is an exceptionally strong one, being headed by that prince of comedians, Phil Sheridan, who has become famous the country over for his delineation of the standard character. Laughter invariably reigns whenever this clever comedian is before an audience. Miss Crissie Sheridan, one of the cleverest comediennes on the vaudeville stage, will be Mr Sheridan's able assistant. In conjunction with these two clever artists the company will also present J. F. Carroll, illustrated songs, Speck Brothers, assisted by Sheridan and Lee, in their funny comedy act "Him and Him," the Blodgett Sisters, the sweet singers, Craig and Ardell, musical wonders, Grovini and Murray, the greatest of all lady acrobats, John J. Welch, author of the songs he sings, and the Keeley Brothers, champion bag punchers of the world. The two burlesques are entitled "An Irishman's Visit to Paris" and "Troubles in a Buffalo Hotel." Both are replete with sensational and funny situations. A feature of the closing burlesque is the basketball contest by female members of the company.

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Tampa, Fla., notes:—The Mascotte Theatre, R. S. Donaldson, proprietor, opened last Saturday night to a large audience. Miss Carrie Smith, a warm member, is here singing all the latest hits. Jessie Thomas! Why everybody knows her and she just brings down the house in her male impersonation, singing, "Ain't that a Shame" and "Go Way Back and Sit Down." Beatrice Coates is a new comer and made a first night hit Marion Brown, the nightengale is always welcome. Kitty Brown! Yes its Kitty; she is here and everybody wants to hear her. Fred Soulas is the pianist. Lucius Savage canceled with the "Rabbit Foot" and is here. Savage is a new member. Mr. Donaldson, the proprietor, has had everything fixed in the best order for this season.

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Al. E. Holman, of Lincoln J. Carter's "Down in Mobile" company, writes:—"We are in our eighth successful week of the season. We are none the worse for wear Chas. J. Ross is again among the Mobile's Big Six, and judging from his many smiles he is truly grateful to be among the Mobilian's again. Geo. H. Henry, short dog, joined us at Rochester N. Y., and the scene is it again thank you. Mr. Chas. T. and Nellie V. Small are to appear as stars at the head of an all white show next season. While playing Rochester we had the pleasure of meeting the Mallory Bros. and Brooks who played the Cook's Opera House while we were at the Baker theatre. Al. E. and Mamie Holman are with the Big Six, bringing up the 5th and 6th end of it. The entire company send regards to friends. The Freeman is a regular visitor among us. Holman says, 'Hello, Tom the Tattler, I am waiting for your scribe.'"

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Augustus Stevens writes from Allen Quine & Oakes', New Orleans Minstrels; —"Everybody is well and business is good. We played Oklahoma City, Oct., 8th, to a large business in opposition to Ringling Bro s' show. Mr. Al. Ringling and wife were up to see the show and shook hands with the boys In the afternoon, Managers Quine & Oakes and the company went to the circus. Augustus Stevens, while in Oklahoma City recieved two wigs from New York City which were very becoming to him. We will soon be out of the Oklahoma Ter., and then we will go into the Lone Star state, Texas. All the boys have sent to Chicago for a Raglan for this winter. Arthur Isler, one of our trombone players in the rear band made a flying trip to see his mother at Wichita Kan. Prof McCannon's big Concert band is the talk of every town we play. Augustus Stevens sends regards to Prof. Cross The Burton's and the Williams.

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Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrel Company.—The oldest and most reliable of all colored shows, this one has not played to a loosing week in the past twenty weeks. We have a nice quiet gentlemanly set of young men of whom our manager boasts and claims under their genteel bearing adds greatly to the receipts, management claims to see no other way out than to carry as near the same people next season as possible, not for their ability as performers, but soley for their behavior, their qualifications as entertainers Our manager says he has learned something about the business this season and infers that it is not always the show, but the amount of friends the show makes in the different cities. In speaking he says there never was such a set of young men and people are corresponding with them from city to city giving the boys cards endorsed for a reasonable good time from place to place, and these young men seem to carry with them the better class of ofays of our show and performers. It is useless to speak of the show, as many have read the roster and know the people better than we can tell and that the only way to criticise or judge this line of work, is by the people of which it cannot be put together without timber or in other words "we know the carpenter by his chips." With regards to all in the our profession and hope to meet many in Chicago sometime in March, we are the Famous Georgia Minstrel Company.

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Manager A. L. Schlichter of the King & Bush's big colored minstrels, writes. —That the above company has been en tour just four weeks, opening at Birmingham, Ala. During the four weeks, we have made the principal cities in Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas, Mississippi and Louisiana: now we are in the Lone Star state (Texas). Just think of it, by the last of this month we are due at Kansas City, Mo. The company was royally entertained at Hot Springs by Carter Richardson, our bandmaster, Prof. Frank Clermont took sick at Hot Springs, Ark., but at this writing he is up again at his post of duty. He is well liked by the entire members of the company. Henry Troy, our premier tenor soloist, J. Ed Green, the bronze Chesterfield, baritone soloist, whom have assumed the capacity of stage manager and vocal director, Frank Clermont band. master, were entertained at New Iberia, La., by friends of the latter. A Creole supper with pure drip coffe a la creole, with penty of claret wine to follow. Billy Johnson and Billy Reid are storming the audiences—their singing and dancing is surely catching the public. Bob Powell is getting his as usual. J. Ed Green, the feature of the last act as the "Foreigner" (Filipino). This act is entirely different than any other on the road, W. Viney as Lucille, William Smith as Adele, Billy Reid as Uncle Stroghter, Henry Troy as Society Ruler, Billy Johnson and Bob Panel as City Hoodlums. The cadets are viz: Blaine Bly, G. Shumake, Robert McRenald and J. W. Smith. Samuel B. Foster, our orchestra leader, is featuring the idol waltzes and salomes; he sends regards to friends—Frank Clermont and Henry Troy says hello to Charlie Turner, Bob Reid and Dr. Goin. Sal Tibbs joined at Orange, Tex. Henry Troy wants to hear from Tom Logan. Hello to the major.

Mrs. William Nettie Reid, who is managing the Pickaninny bands for Johnson & Reid, has an engagement for 24 pieces that will constitute the band play at the Mexico fair. Sig. Molitamer, the fire king, is receiving great credit of having the greatest act of its kind. Billy Nichols, the imitator of almost of any thing that you can mention, is receiving from three to four encores nightly. Whitten Viney would like to hear from Harry Reed and McCarver Brothers.

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Notes from the Black Patti Troubadours:—"We have just emerged from the sunny South where we did a rushing business. On our way to the coast we spent Sunday Oct. 13 in Chicago, at which place we were joined by the Misses Ida Larkins and Jeannette Murphy-Green, both ladies proving quite an acquisition to the company. The members of the company met many friends and report a most enjoyable time. Mme. Patti is enjoying excellent health, never being in better voice, taking four and five encores at every performance. John Rucker, (Alabama Blossom) is closing the olio with his laugh provoking witticisms and is 'making good.' The 'Watts' are also 'making good' and bringing down the house with a storm. The Troubadour's quartette, Messrs. Worls, Cook, Byrd and Reid are using "The Honeysuckle and the Bee," and "Way Down on the old Suwanee" and are compelled to respond with several others each night, which attests the growing popularity of this now famous quartette. The Ver Vallins, musical specialists, are with the company this season. Their saxaphone number is extraordinarily clever. The feature of their act is "Mr. Volunteer." Mack Alan, slack wire phenomenon, the 20th Century equipoise marvel is a wonder and recieves rounds of applause nightly. The burden of fun making rests upon the shoulders of Messrs. Tripplett and Rucker, as Ho Ho and Bo Bo respectively. Honors are equally shared by Miss Laura Bailey as "Priscilla" and Will Cook as the "Comic Cop." "My Alabama Love" is very cleverly introduced by Triplett and Rucker assisted by the well known soubrettes, Ida Butler and Ida Larkins. The ladies especially, appearing very graceful and bewitching with their singing and dancing. The Misses Sallie Green and Ida Forcen are making a decided hit in their rendition of "Drowsy Boke," a very sweet lullaby. 'Tis not necessary to state that Anthony Byrd the Black Eduard de Rezyke is as popular as ever and in every place is greeted by hosts of friends. The popular operatic kaleidoscope is the supreme musical feature of the performance, the principals this season being Madame Patti, prima donna, soprana, suported by Misses Cecil Watts, soprano; Sally Green, contralto; Messrs. James Wooten tenor, Byrd and Hill, baritones, Reid and Crosby Bassos and chorus of twenty-five voices. The company, thanks to Mr. Al. Watts, our stage manager is better organized and stronger than ever before. Chas. C. Bongia, tenor, joined us at Birmingham, Ala., and sends regards to Maj. Ben. F. and the Paynes. Mr. Voelckel, our genial manager is enjoying good health and is indefatigable in his efforts to make the present tour successful.

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Notes from Harrison Bros.' Minstrels and Vaudevillians:—We are still on the south side of the "Mason and Dixie" line, basking in the warmth of the Southern sunny sun. The past week has been a triumphal one both from a financial and social standpoint. We have a few more stands in Tennessee and Maryland, then we go West, to California to welcome the sun to sleep. At Mayfield and Paducah our many admirers gave us a hearty welcome, both white and colored and after our evening performance were entertained in the highest, the whole company being present. Although much has been said about the South as to undue treatment of the colored companies and performers touring that part of the country, our experience teaches us that, colored ladies and gentlemen of business proclivities, who tour the South representing themselves as is proper to do and always move and keep within their own sphere of life, rarely have any troubles. We find that most of the troubles and difficulties often met with by performers in the South arise from frequenting grog shops, low places and too much 'I am the whole show,' and a tendency to want to mix and mingle out of their latitude. 'The Hustler' is and always has been quite at sea as to why our brother professionals and others will constantly insist on being entertained socially by those who so bitterly scorn our seeming liberality and are always glad to turn us down. In the South our people reign in vast numbers. Smart, bright, intelligent ladies and gentlemen the equals of any, the peers of many; they also own and operate their own hotels, groceries, barber shops, cafes and club rooms and many other places of honor and intelligence; they have the prettiest women of all shades and colors then why the tendency to want to mix and mingle where not wanted, which only in time breeds trouble. No man that is a man wants his household invaded by strangers. But enough, for I had started out in the first place to write about our big canvass minstrels and had drifted somewhat from the point, but suffice to say we are all well and the 'man in white' makes his regular calls every Sunday. Cissel, Mines and Bumpty are getting 'em hard in their act which runs twenty-two minutes and is chuck full of fun and laughter from start to finish. Mme. Lagretta Henderson is scoring big hits at every performance singing the old time favorite, 'My Old Kentucky Home.' Miss Clydie Washington is singing 'Dianah' in the first part and is quite a favorite with the audience. R. O. Henderson being rather stout of avoirdupois is the very picture of Old Billy Rice, on the end and keeps them rolling all the time and just fills our time with his singing 'I Don't Care if I Never Wake Up' and "I Am Lending Money to the Government. Miss Sadie Reeves, the ragtime girl is still among them and right in line in the front row. Since our big conflagration at Point Pleasant Va., last June, which burned one of our cars, wardrobe, etc., Col. Hugh Harrison has been looking on every hand to find some means of lighting our canvass theatre other than by the old time gasoline lights and has at last succeeded in replacing the same with a late invention known as acetyline gas which gives a better light than electricity and beautifies the appearance of the theatre in every particular. This light is doubly safe from accident and costs but 60 cents daily to run it. Mr. Jack Case, the 'money broker' around the 'top' has charge of the lights and lighting and thoroughly understands his business. The Freeman is always welcome in our camp and and 'The Hustler' sends especial regards to Elwood Knox, the staff and friends.

HERE AND THERE.

—The fortunes of war are those made by army contractors.

—Sound money must be the kind that jingles in a fellow's pocket.

—Fame often consists of having yellow dogs and five-cent cigars named after you.

—No, Maude, dear; there is no similarity between a ship's hatchway and an incubator.

—"It's all right to pick your company," says the Manayunk Philosopher, "but don't pick them to pieces."

—Sometimes a man boasts that he holds the key to the situation, and then discovers that the lock is rusty.

—Teacher—"What is politeness?" Little Boy—"Not to ask for a second piece of pie when you're out visiting."

—Nell—"I admit that Mr. Staylate has his shortcomings." Belle—"What I object to is that he's so long going."

—The married man who stays out late discussing the questions of the day may have to face the questions of the night when he gets home.

—Oldbach—"What limit do you play in your married men's poker games?" Newlywed—"Oh, no fellow can bet more than a ton of coal."

—First Goat—"What became of that smoking jacket you stole from the clothesline?" Second Goat—"I transformed it into an Eton jacket."

—Tommy—"Pop, what do politicians mean by a plank in the platform?" Tommy's Pop—"Didn't you ever hear of a candidate having a walk-over? Run away and play."

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WHY COLORED MEMBERS REMAIN IN THE M. E. CHURCH.

PAPER NO. 2.

When the fearful Civil War of 1861-65 was being waged the old church, in the language of the martyred Lincoln, "sent more prayers to Heaven and more soldiers in blue to the field for the defeat of the Confederacy than any other christian body."

Methodist bishops, Methodist preachers and Methodist papers spoke in no uncertain tones against the infamous traffic in human beings, and when the war ended, when Appamatox came, when the cause of the Confederacy went down in the midnight of defeat, and when the four and a half millions of God's images carved in ebony, were liberated from their cruel and degrading bondage and turned out upon the public highways of the Southland houseless, homeless, moneyless and almost friendless; when the weary, broken hearted wearers of the gray returned to their neglected and ruined plantations—in the van, with Bible in the one hand and spelling book in the other, were to be seen the emissaries of the M. E. church, stretching forth their hands to their newly liberated and enfranchised brother-in-black, saying to him that "the doors of the old church stand open to receive you, and that no man's color or previous condition of servitude shall be a bar to membership." Mission conferences were organized and Shaws, Cushmans, Hartzells and others, left comfortable and congenial homes in the North, took up their abode in the South and preached the Gospel of Christ to those newly liberated people,

Opposition to them was made, and I have heard the revered Bishop Gilbert Haven's annual conferences in the South, called Negro radical conventions. These noble men and their equally noble wives and daughters were abused, insulted, villified and ostracized, yet they stood firm and not only preached the Gospel of the Son of God, but began to look around for ways and means for the betterment of the social, industrial and intellectual status of the race. In carrying out this idea men were needed who loved the Negro because he was a man, who were not afraid to claim him as their brother, and who could put their whole hearts and lives into the work of his redemption. Thank God the old church had them, and at the proper time a Haven, a Walden, a Rust, a McDonald, appeared; a Freedmen's Aid Society was organized, and schools, academies, colleges and universities were founded and put into operation. It was seen that much more could and should be done, and medical colleges, schools of dentistry and pharmacy, theological seminaries, industrial and mechanical institutions were organized, until to-day the educational work being done by the M E. church among the colored people, stands without an equal in America.

Admission to any institution of learning under the control of the M. E. church is denied no person on account of race or color.

(To be Continued.)

Our Church Extension Work.

When our Church Extension work was organized in 1864, we had in round numbers 6,800 traveling preachers and 928,000 members, with 10 000 churches worth $34,000 000, and 2 900 parsonages worth $3,000 000. Within the thirty-six years, ending Oct. 31st, 1900, our Church Extension work has been organized, and has collected and disbursed over $6,945 000, of which $1 137 000 is a permanent fund to aid churches by loans, and $1,399,000 have been returned and reloaned to churches, making the working value of the loan fund $2 536,000. In this way 11,677 churches—scattered throughout the United States and Territories—have received aid from our board. During this period our preachers have increased to 16,122, and our membership to 2 874,037.

The General Committee asks the conferences for collections of three hundred and five thousand dollars. Each pastoral charge will have its proportion indicated, averaging about one fourth of the collections for missions. Every pastor should bring these facts before his congregation, and press the claims of Church Extension for generous collections. No pastor should be content with less than the amount asked under provisions of our discipline.

METHODISTS.

The total number of Methodists as furnished by H. K. Carroll, LL. D, May 17, 1900, was 5,996 923 in the United States alone, and in the entire world the number was 7,833 456. The membership of the M, E. church is more than one-half the total number in America.

The Reception Day services of to-morrow will be a red-letter day in the history of Simpson Chapel. More than 250 invitations have been sent to the friends of the church.

Quite a large number of Southwestern Christian Advocates and Epworth Heralds are being taken each week by members and friends.

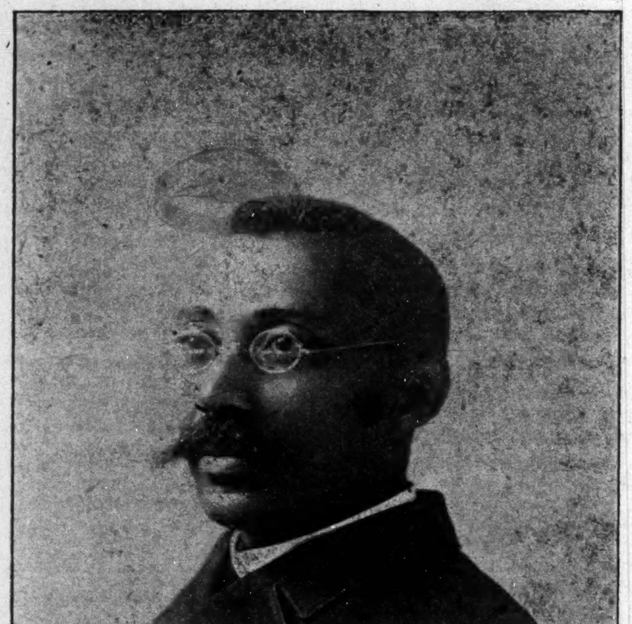
The Church Aid Circle organized last week with a membership of about thirty and elected Miss Mamie Hawkins, president; Mrs. Betty Tribble, vice president; Mrs. Della Griffin, secretary; Mrs. Erma White, assistant secretary; Mrs. Mary Hickman, treasurer; Mrs. Tribble, Mrs. Mamie Wells and Miss Hawkins, purchasing committee. Meetings will be held every Wednesday afternoon.

The Sewing Circle meets every Thursday, and will keep up the excellent record of last year.

The George Downing W. H. M. Society is doing grandly. Meetings are to be held the first Friday of each month.

There will be a grand concert for the benefit of the Trustees on Wednesday, Nov. 6th. Come and enjoy a first class program.

The Sunday school and the Epworth Leagues are gaining steadily in attendants and interest



REV. GEORGE A. SISSLE,

Presiding Elder, Indiana District Lexington Conference M. E. Church.

INDIANAPOLIS NOTES.

There have been fifty-four additions to Simpson Chapel since April 1st, and many of them are among our most regular attendants and best workers.

The work of the pastor during the past six months shows 5 marriages, 10 baptisms, 11 funerals, 65 sermons, 3 lectures, 2 papers to preachers' associations 679 pastoral visits, attendance at every class meeting. Epworth League, Sewing Circle, Church Aid Society and Official Board meetings, besides personal attention to the financial affairs of the church.

OUR PUBLISHING HOUSES.

The publication of books, papers, Sunday School literature, magazines, etc., of the M E church is managed by what what is known as "The Book Concern" with headquarters in New York and Cincinnati.

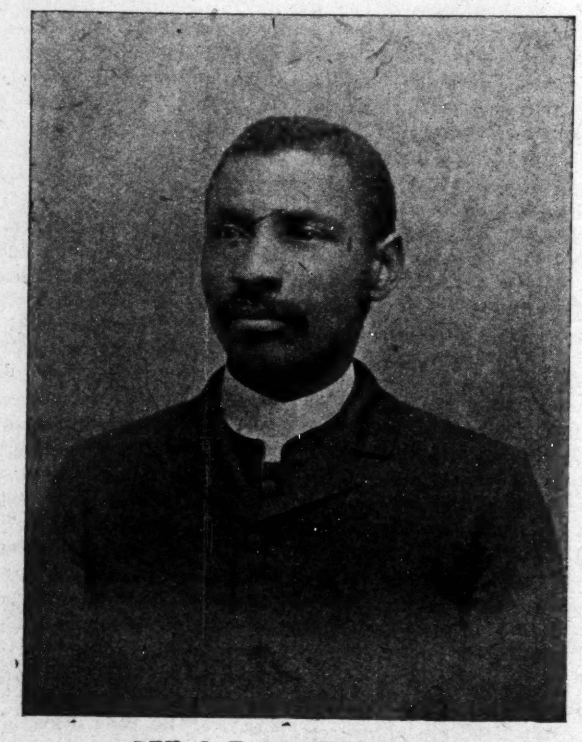
From November 1, 1895, to October 31, 1899 the sales in New York were $3,714,903 35, and from Cincinnati during the same four years the sales reached $4 143 131 38, making a total business of $7,858 034.73.

The value of real estate, etc., in New York is $2 598 080 32; in Cincinnati, $1,482.974 69; total, $4 081,055 01.

Buildings are owned by the Book Concern in New York, Pittsburg, San Francisco, Cincinnati, St. Louis and Chicago.

Sixteen papers are published weekly, Sunday school Journals, Quarterlies, the best Leaf Cluster in America, Epworth Herald and several papers in German and Bohemian.

The sum of $285,000 from the profits have been distributed through the conferences to the worn out preachers, their widows and orphans.



REV. J. H. STANLEY, M. D.,

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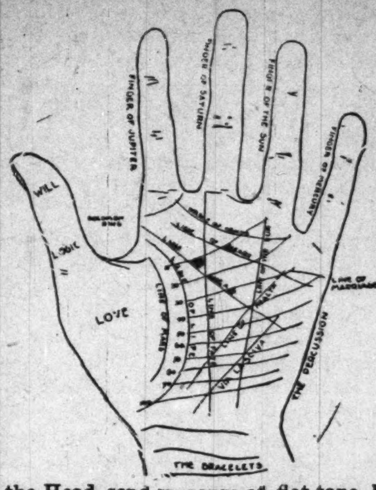
The Class Meetings continue to increase in numbers and spiritual power. The leaders are actively at work, and ere long we shall reach the 150 mark.

The new piano presented the church by the Sewing Circle, Epworth League and the Choir is highly appreciated by every member.



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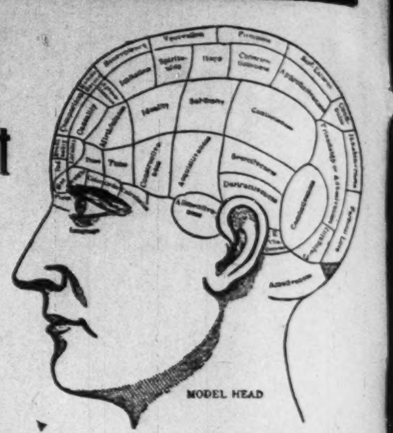

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CHICAGO.

St. Mark M. E. church in Chicago has demonstrated its right to an existence beyond a shadow of a doubt. With 200 members and property valued at $12,000 and an indebtedness of only $1,000 they have established themselves to do the work of God and Methodism. Already they have planted a Mission Sunday school at 54th and Wright streets with an average attendance of twenty-five. Mr. John A Washington is the superintendent of the mission school.

St. Mark is now holding a revival meeting. The pastor is conducting the meeting, assisted by Revs. Samuel S. Thompson, J. C. Peters, A. W. Melton and Mrs Mary Lark Hill. Mr. James A. Reufro was converted on Sunday afternoon. We expect to have Rev. L. C. Harris with us before the meeting closes.

The Mercy and Help department held a meeting Thursday afternoon, Oct. 10, which was well attended. These people propose to do a work for God and humanity during the winter. Mrs. Louise Montgomery, second vice-president, is conducting this department.

Rev. J. C. Peters and Mrs. Mary E. Cavette were united in matrimony at the residence of Mrs M. Dyson, 4617 Armour avenue, on Wednesday, Oct. 9 It was a quiet wedding at which only the immediate friends were present. Rev. J W. Robinson officiated.

Mr. John H. Coppage and Miss Cordelia Lee were married at the residence of Mr. J. H. Harris, 4764 Armour ave., on Thursday, Oct. 10, at 8:30 p. m. Many of the friends were present. Rev. J. W. Robinson officiated.

The South End Sunday Club is arranging a good program for November and December. Dr. C. E. Bentley, D. D. S., will address the club next Sunday at 4 p m. on "Some Lessons from McKinley's Life."

PRINCETON, IND.

The W. H. M Society will give a series of entertainments November 28, 29 and 30. The program will be rich. All are invited. The services last Sunday were well attended, and the pastor, Rev. W. B. Harris, D. D., was at his best. Our new brick church is a beauty and the members are proud of it.

Our third quarterly meeting will be held Nov. 2, 3, 4, and the coming of the P. E is looked forward to with pleasure The church is in good condition and everything prospering.

35th Street M. E. Church, Louisville, Kentucky.

We feel that in the Rev. W. C. Statesman as our pastor we have the right man in the right place. Through his energetic efforts we have built a neat lecture room at a cost of some $300, thus succeeding where others have failed. Also along other lines he has done much An Epworth League has been organized with a membership of thirty, Miss Mattie Herndon, president (now Mrs Sumlin, of St. Louis). The league is in a flourishing condition, and the young people are delighted. The new president, Mrs. Annie Thomas, has made a favorable impression and the outlook is encouraging. Mrs. W. C. Statesman is vice-president of the Spiritual department, and is making a great record for the cause of Christ. Miss Mattie Herndon forsook us for a "better half," and is now living happily in her new home, St. Louis. She has our best wishes for many years of happiness.

Mrs. Belle Bland died a few days ago in full triumph of faith. She leaves many relatives and friends.

The increasing practice of Dr. J. D. Long necessitated the opening of a branch office up town, and he may now be found at 3118 Rudd avenue, and also at 507 E. Walnut street. He will not sever his connection with us.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lawson, 3630 Rudd avenue, are rejoicing over the arrival of Mr. W. H Lawson, Jr. He is enjoying the best of health and weighs twelve pounds. Mrs. Jane Mordecai, his maternal grandmother, of Frankfort, Ky., is at his side looking after his interest. We expect to read The Freeman each week, and especially "The News of the M. E. Church."

Work in Porto Rico and the Philippines

The Methodist Episcopal Church has made large appropriations to establish missions both in Porto Rico and in the Phillippines; superintendents and missionaries have already been appointed, and to advance the work in Porto Rico alone the Church Extension Society proposes to raise $12,000 to assist in the erection of church buildings. Dr. J. L. McLaughlin writes from Manila that the natives are eager to have the Gospel of Jesus Christ and that the privilege of owning a Bible is highly prized. The M. E. church has a building in Manila and missionaries at work in many of the islands.

M. E. Hospital and Deaconess Home.

The Methodist Episcopal Church of Indiana has undertaken to build in the city of Indianapolis a State Hospital and Deaconess Home. The three annual Conferences of the State, with the Woman's Home Missionary Societies, have accepted the responsibility of appointing fifteen directors, who are to take charge of the business and prudential concerns of the institution. It is made, therefore, a part of the organized life of Methodism. The whole church assumes the burden to build and control and perpetuate, while its benefits are to be offered for the treatment of sick, wounded and injured persons, and to dispense charity to the poor; without distinction of race or creed. The enterprise is wholly humanitarian. It is not and will not be identified with any private interest.

CHARACTER OF THE INSTITUTION.

It is the intent of the Board of Directors to erect a thoroughly modern and fire-proof structure on a desirable location. Valuable grounds have already been purchased at the corner of Twenty-ninth and Illinois streets.

To successfully accomplish this humanitarian work the buildings must be erected and equipped by the gifts of those who love their fellow men. Money thus invested is put to a noble use.

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COST OF THE BUILDINGS.

The buildings completed and their equipment, according to present plans, will cost not less than two hundred thousand dollars.

THE HOSPITAL AND DEACONESS FEATURE.

By the articles of association, with the Hospital administration, there is to be attached a Deaconess Home for Indiana. The two features, though distinct in name and special purpose, will be mutually helpful. The management of the Home will be more particularly under the supervision of the Woman's Home Missionary Society; but it is to furnish its quota of trained nurses for the Hospital, as well as visiting Deaconesses and district nurses.

MEDICAL STAFF OF THE HOSPITAL.

The physicians staff of the hospital will be judiciously selected from among men of eminent capacity; and only those of the highest professional standing and personal character will be considered. Dr. W. R. Halstead, Indianapolis, is the corresponding secretary.

Mr G. L Knox has been appointed, on the nomination of Rev. Gilliam, a member of the Financial Board of this institution.

To Our Correspondents.

We would ask our correspondents to write on only one side of the paper. This is a small matter to you, but of considerable importance to the editor.

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TOM THE TATTLER.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

When death shall come to close my life,
Let it be soon or late—
I wish to die as I have l ved,
And that is up-to-date.

Wm D. Washburn, the Minneapolis manufacturer and railroad capitalist, declares in an interview in the Minneapolis Times that the greatest menace to the government and institutions of the United States lies in the vast accumulation of capital in the hands of a few people. We certainly agree with you Mr. Washburn as long as we are not included in that "few."

The Chicago National League team ought to play with snowballs all this winter, then perhaps they may do better next season.

How does the following strike you for an ambiguous expression? "He is in fairly good circumstances and resides with his wife who is devoted to him on the South side."—Helena (Mont.) Record. We wonder who is 'devoted to him" on East, West, and North sides. Clearness of expression, thou art a gem!

Many a couple that are quietly married make enough noise afterward.

The eulogies of Wm. McKinley have been many, but, after all, the resolve themselves to this; when God made Wm McKinley he used his best material in the making

Dreams, alike death, are no respecter of persons. Any head, be it ever so foolish, is likely to a dream. I had a dream last night. I dreamt that down in Cincinnati the city council had voted to strike out the word fast in all dictionaries sold in that city.

For the benefit of those who may think otherwise, I would like to say Elwood Knox has no connection whatever with our "knock" column.

BUSINESS MEDIUM.

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Madame is the only one in the world who can tell you the FULL NAME of your future husband, with age and date of marriage, tells you whether the one you love is true or false.

There are some persons who believe that there is no truth to be gained from consulting a Medium, but such beliefs are contrary to the truth. It is only from the lack of discrimination that such a conclusion can be reached. It is not everyone who placards himself or herself as a Medium that can stand a test of what he or she claims And a person of any enquiring mind may ask the reason why. It is simply that these advisers do not take the trouble to study human nature. They do not spend their thoughts for a moment with acquiring the art of phrenology and kindred branches that will have a tendency to make the pathway to the road of the business clear and devoid of obstacles.

It is an undeniable fact that persons will come for advice—in full knowledge of what they want to know, and yet as soon as they confront a Medium they try their utmost endeavor to dispel from their minds what they know so as to hear if it will be rehearsed by the Medium. To get the secret out of a person by "pumping," in no few cases, is the art used by many unprincipaled Mediums, but to take hold of the hand and gain control of the mind thereby, is a matter of impossibility to most of them. And yet this can be done, and by consulting MRS. MARTH this seeming mystery becomes a realization.

This subject has received no little attention by eminent men and even college professors. So it proves conclusively that although there are infringers in our midst with "oily tongues," perhaps, the gates of wisdom have not been closed to the entire profession

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MRS. M. B. MARTH.

246 West 31st. NEW YORK CITY

Any one who would Rob. A. Kelley is indeed a desperate thief.

They tell me now that to Phil. R. Miller full of booze is a rather difficult proceeding. Score one for temperance.

When it comes to keeping always sober I am a-(fraid) Fred. Burch wont do.

Any of the three foregoing gags may be told on or off the stage without any consent.

Any time I hear a colored man decrying Booker T. Washington it reminds me of the man who could not bear to have a lamp while he sat in a dark room. Perhaps he is a person who has good physical eyes, but, as Edward Caskoden says in "When Knighthood was in Flower," needs mental spectacles.

Coal is at present seven dollars a ton. There is now some reason and sense in the expression "You aint so warm."

Merry Mabel: We are sorry, but your knock came too late for insertion. It is a "beaut."

We are bitterly opposed to prize-fighting, but this is the time of year we always like to see the coal box.

Origin of Names.

A young Oil citizen calls his sweetheart Revenge, because she is sweet.—Oil City Derrick.

And the young man in South Hill calls his mother-in-law Delay, because she is dangerous—Burlington Hawkeye.

And a South End man calls his wife Fact, because she is a stubborn thing. Boston Globe.

And a fourth wife of a district attorney calls him Necessity, because he knows no law.—New Orleans Times.

And a Cincinnati man names his coachman Procrastination, because he stole his watch.—Breakfast table.

And a Yonkers man named his wife Frailty, because Shakespeare says: "Frailty, thy name is woman."—Yonkers Gazette.

And we called a beautiful school ma'am that we used to go to Experience, because she was a dear teacher.—Eli Perkins.

Eli Perkins calls his wife Honesty, because he says it is the best policy.—N. Y. Herald.

And a man returning home in Chicago from a party named his wife Prima Donna, because she had lost the key.—TOM THE TATTLER.

"My mother was so kind to me that before she whipped me I was always chloroformed."—Extract from the beautiful and soul quieting life of Tom The Tattler (written by himself,) a person who was a man before he was a boy, and a boy, after he was a man.

When the Marquis Ito, the great Japanese Statesman, was here he made use of the following lovely language:

"When I was here thirty years ago this was hardly more than a wooden city. Now look at those wonderful buildings. What a change has taken place. Marble and stone now; no wood."

This evidently goes to prove that those who had him in charge did not carry him down Dearborn, Armour, or La Salle streets, on the South side.

Wanted at once: A critic to take Mr. Collin Coe's place. Must be able to write "virile criticisms." A soothing salary to the right person.

Paradoxical as it may seem, Missouri contains both Louisiana and Mexico, and is then, by no means, the largest state.

"Woodbine:" You are now through missing us. From now on will be with you until flytime comes again.

We are not a ghoulish nation by any means, but there is not a state in the Unionbut would like to bring the life of Leon Czolgosz to a close.

When an actress speaks of her engagement you never know whether she is talking show or matrimony.—Woodbine in The Freeman.

And a clique of actresses speaking of such things would naturally be an engagement ring.

President Roosevelt, relative to the nomination in 1904 says he will make no fight for the honor, but if the people of the United States put his name at the head of the next Republican National ticket he will be extremely grateful and will not decline, and neither will we.

If there is always room at the top, how is it, when a theatre is crowded, the gallery is always the first place to fill?

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OZONO,

which is sold with an iron-clad guarantee to do all that is claimed for it, or we will forfeit $50.00. Now, we ask you a plain question—would we absolutely agree to forfeit $50.00 if you are dissatisfied with our preparations, if they were not true to all we claim for them? We have advertised for several years under this guarantee, and we are glad to say that every one who has used Ozono has been satisfied in every respect.

20,000 people are to-day using our preparations, and every purchaser recommends Ozono as the King of all Hair Tonics. Ozono will positively take the Kinks out of Knotty, Kinky, Harsh, Curly, Refractory, Troublesome Hair. It will make short, harsh hair long and straight. It will cure your head of all itching, worrying scalp diseases. Itch, Eczema, Dandruff, and Scurf can not live after Ozono has been applied. It will stop your hair from falling out. It will restore gray hair to its natural color, making the hair long and soft.

Now, right here, let us make a statement. Many firms are advertising remedies to straighten hair, but when they send the preparation they tell you to use hot irons. Friends, do not use hot irons; they will burn up the life of the hair, and cause it to drop out. Ozono straightens without any outside assistance. Nothing but Ozono is necessary, and the hair stays straight forever. You can stop the use at any time. The good effects on the hair are seen in a day or two after the first application.

The price of Ozono is 50c. a bottle—4 boxes do the work. We make this liberal offer, which is good at any time: Cut out this coupon and send to us, enclosing with it the sum of One Dollar, and we will forward to you four large boxes of Ozono and one large bottle of Electrical Skin Refiner, which makes black skin bright, rough skin soft and pliant, and cures all skin diseases. Also removes all facial imperfections, and actually removes small-pox pits. We will also include one fancy jar of our Electrical Skin Food—Nature's great beautifier—removes wrinkles, moth patches, freckles, and all facial blemishes; makes the old look young and the young look younger.

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The actual value of this Grand Aggregation is $4.00, but we let you have it for $1.00, simply to introduce honest goods. In order to protect the public in general from imitations of our goods, and to avoid mistakes, we have placed upon our coupon our Trade-Mark, one head showing Short Hair and the other head Long Hair. The U. S. Government has granted us this trade-mark, and it is registered in the Patent Office at Washington; so if the coupon has this trade-mark on it, you will make no mistake. Use only the coupon having the two heads on it. As to our responsibility, we refer you to the Editor of this paper or to the Metropolitan Bank of Richmond, Va. We have thousands of testimonials we have not space to publish. Here is a sample of one:

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OUR BOOK REVIEW.

"The Lives of Our Prima Donnas," by Mr. Collin Coe—Mr. Coe, as every one knows, is probably the greatest prima donna critic of modern times. He is now doing time at the North Pole for some of his "virile criticisms" The book is written in his best style, and should be in the hands of all singers. According to his statements the washboard has been the most prolific in producing "prims," while the range follows with a close second. One thing we admire about the book, Mr. Coe is not splenetic.

"The Aesthetics of Growler-Rushing," by Burch R. Fredericks—A masterly book, full of incidents and human nature The first part of the book is devoted to the history of the Growler, and is quite instructive. There are but a few people who know that because one of the early English kings could not get enough beer he used to growl continually about it, is the reason we have the name "Growler." Mr. Fredericks says, "no home can be said to be complete without this ancient piece of bric-a-brac. How beautiful it looks hanging on the wall giving silent testimony of many a good time. When gossiping about your neighbor how it adds vigor to the scene to have the Growler between you fresh with beer. It unlocks secrets that nothing else in this world could. As an adjunct at meal time the Growler is man's best friend." Mr. Fredericks further says, "a pitcher may go once to the well too often, but statistics assert there has never been a case where a "Growler" has been harmed by too frequent use. A man may reel along the street with it and even expose himself to danger, but he always manages to get back with the Growler intact." We predict a large sale for the book.

"The Negro Playwright," by Humphrey Williams.—Mr. Williams tells of the trouble the playwright undergoes and must undergo before he can expect success. "The first step in writing a play," he says, "as soon as you have your mind made up to do so, have that part of your mind copyrighted, because in these brainless, theatrical times the literary thieves are many. Beware of any manager named Willis. It makes no difference how earnest he may appear to be all of them are unfair." The book is written in an entertaining manner, and is certainly worth perusal.

"Minstrelsy," by Green Edward Johns—A timely book. Mr. Johns is the modern exponent of minstrelsy, and has a fund of anecdotes which he relates with all the naivete of the raconteur. "Minstrelsy is the oldest theatrical institution of the Negro race, and has been the means of enriching many a manager. It is as old as the ark itself, for while it rested on Aarat Noah put on a minstrel show and made himself some little change. It is a sure money getter, and many a manager, after trying in other fields, has been obliged to return to the "Minstrels" to fill his depleted coffers. Like jubilee singing there is always eating, sleeping and ghost walking going on in a minstrel show." Mr. Johns is a writer of considerable note, and this book adds greatly to his reputation.

"4-11-44, or the Playing of Fancy Gigs." by Alson Johnbert—A book that should be in the hands of all policy-players. Mr. Johnbert has little faith in the fancy gigs, or as they are commonly called, fancies He says: "They are simply made by unscrupulous persons to catch the unwary. Yearly thousands and thousands of dollars are lost by players playing fancies." The book is full of policy information and should be a good seller.

"Why, certainly, my boy," said Uncle Zeke, the alley philosopher, "it is perfectly natural There are times in everybody's life when they are right. Take a clock that is broken and never runs, it is right once in every twelve hours?"

THE KNOCKER'S COLUMN.

Devoted to the Interest of all Knockers.

Address your knocks to Tom The Tattler, Chief Hammerer.

Dear Tattler—I do not see why you should take so much interest in Collin Coe and his "virile criticisms." I never could see any good in them. They didn't strike me as being virile, but they did strike me as being vile.

KATIE, the Prim.

Tat, the Hammerer—You make me tired. You roasted me when I was with King Rastus, and I have never forgotten it. You know the remark you used about the show falling on Chicago like a damp blanket. Where were you reared? In an insane asylum? You ought to take a day off and learn some sense. E. E.

Note: I don't know just who E. E. is, but I remember once a young miss, who was called Empty Ethel. I hardly think it is she.—Tom The Tattler.

Friend Tattler—Please say nothing about me. I mean all right. At present I am way back sitting down.

CRUMP THOMAS.

Dear Hammerer—Why don't H. and M get some new gags and stop the flow of hisses, which they always receive when on the stage?

BABBLING BELLA.

T. T T.—Why is it you never roast any bass singers? You show partiality by not doing so. I never saw one I thought worth a hurrah.

RAGTIME RACHEL.

Mr. Tattler.—My husband has a good job, but he is a whisky-head. Please attend to him for me. When he is drunk he makes me disgustedly sick.

LOVIN' LIZE.

Dear Tom.—The Bible says "knock and it shall be opened unto you." I think Chicago contains more talkative women than any city in the world. They are always laying somebody out. They have talked me up one street and down another. And for what? Simply because I mind my own business. You should find these women out and never let your pen rest until they are silenced forever. From now on I will get even; I intend to go into the "knocking" business for all it is worth. Look out for a long "knock" from me next week.

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"Go way back and sit down," all you
Who doubt, hesitate, or feel blue;
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When Glazier's gone a-jubin'?

TOM THE TATTLER.

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..CITY NOTES..

Mr James Tandy has gone to Buffalo for a few days.

The Tireless Workers' Club met Tuesday at Allen Chapel.

The Zenda Club danced at Odd Fellow's Hall Thursday evening.

Madam McNairdee was a guest of Mrs. Morin in Muncie, Ind., last week.

The Woman's Club will give its second annual charity ball early in November.

The Sewing Circle of Wayman chapel met with Mrs. Swan, 1115 E. 17th street Friday evening.

The annual election of trustees of Bethel A. M. E. church took place Wednesday night.

The Young People's Aid Alliance met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Roxie Bell, 521 Bright street.

Mrs. Lucretia Knox will go to Cincinnati to-morrow to sing a solo at St. Andrew's Episcopal Mission.

The Buffaloes have issued invitations to a ball to take place at Cleveland Hall Wednesday, Oct., 30.

Miss Cora Turner, of New York City came from Cincinnati Sunday to visit Mrs. A. H. Henderson.

Dr. B. J. Bridges, of Macon Ga., is in the city in the interest of the Georgia Industrial Orphan's Home.

Miss Mattie McClellan, of Jeffersonville, Ind, is in the city the guest of her brother Edward in 14th st.

Miss Eva Winn entertained at Whist Wednesday afternoon in honor of Miss Mattie McClelland, of Jeffersonville Ind

The Lend-a-Hand Club gave a social at the house of Miss May Jackson in East Sixteenth street, Thursday evening.

Walter Williams returned Friday to his home at Kewanee, Ill., after a three weeks' visit with relatives in this city.

The Woman's Club was entertained at whist, Tuesday night, at the home of Mrs. Laura Gaines, 430 West Michigan street.

Miss Edith Troy, of Cincinnati, was in the city last week for a few days the guest of Mrs. Landonia Williams, 1024 West street.

The Sewing Circle of Simpson Chapel was entertained at 2 p. m. Thursday by Mrs. Eliza Bybee, 311 West Eleventh street

A musical and literary entertainment took place at St. Paul's temple, Wednesday under the direction of Miss Celina Early.

The Flora Grant Mite Missionary Society of Allen Chapel met Thursday Afternoon with Mrs. Amanda Phelps, 20th and Alvord streets.

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The Church Aid Circle, of Simpson chapel met with Mrs. Henry Griffin, 766 W. 11th street, at 2 p. m. Wednesday. Miss Mamie Hawkins is president.

Allen Chapel choir gave an entertainment at Wayman Chaple, Tuesday evening. There was a parasol drill by the church club Wednesday night.

The Booker T. Washington Literary Society of St. Paul's Temple, elected officers Friday night, Oct., 25. There were solos by Messrs. Kirk and Daniels.

The Ladies' Alliance Club, No. 2 of Bethel A. M. E church met Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Mary Elkins, 930 East 17th street.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society, of Shiloh Baptist church met with Mrs. W. M. Dixon, at 223 Alleghany st., Thursday afternoon

Rev. E. L. Gilliam left Wednesday for Morristown, Arlington and Connersville, to deliver addresses under the auspices of the State Sunday School Association.

The Indianapolis Colored Gun Club will meet at 220 Indiana Ave., October 29. All stockholders, as well as those who desire to subscribe, are requested to be present.

A large audience greeted the Rev C. H. Thompson at St. Phillip's Mission last Sunday afternoon. A special meeting was called for Tuesday evening at the chapel in New York street.

The Claysonian library had a booth at the musical and commercial bazaar at Wayman chapel, Thursday evening. The program was arranged by Oliver S. Clay. Books were received.

The stewardesses of Bethel A. M. E. Church will give an entertainment in the lecture room of the church, Tuesday evening, Oct., 29 After a short musical program refreshments will be served.

Ladies, I have opened a branch Sewing School at 1211 Lewis street, where you will be taught cutting, fitting and everything pertaining to dressmaking. Mrs. Mattie Green, manager. Emma Edwards, 506 N. East street.

The Young Men's Prayer Band met at the Second Christian church Sunday. Plans have been perfected for the organization of a young men's Christian association The band will meet to-morrow at Mt. Zion Baptist church.

An Allen Lyceum was organized last Sunday in Allen Chapel by the pastor, Rev. R. F. Hurley, and others with a starting membership of 34. It is an excellent move, both literary and spiritually, for the young people in Sabbath afternoons at 4 o'clock to discuss great problems.

The Hallow'een Mask Party.

The Y. P. A's of Bethel A. M. E. Church, will observe the "Vigil of All Hallows" on the night of Oct. 31st., (Thursday) at the residence of Mrs Susie Porter, 607 Eleventh st.

"Miss not the occasion; by the forelock take
That subtile power, the never-halting time,
Lest a mere moment's putting.off should make
Mischance almost as heavy as a crime.

All are invited to the mystical shrine o'ershadowed by its subtle and supernatural influences. Do not fail to take advantage of this joyous social event. Come masked, Miss Amanda Mayne, president; Miss Mamie Chavis, Sec'y.

SIMPSON CHAPEL NOTES.

Rev. Edward L. Gilliam pastor 11th and North Missouri Streets.

The congregations are increasing in size, both morning and evening, on Sunday's while the class meeting is rapidly growing on Tuesday evening. One addition last Sunday, Mrs. Minnie Hughes, Harned Ky. The trustees will give a grand concert on Wednesday, Nov 6th at which time some of the best talent of our city will furnish a first-class program. There will be no disappointment this time and the printed programs will be distributed next week Come and enjoy an evening with us and assist the trustees. To-morrow is reception day and Simpson will entertain her friends More than 250 invitations have been sent out, and we confidentially expect to tax the capacity of the building to accommodate the audiences. At 3 p. m. there will be special services and able speakers. At 11 a. m. the pastor will preach and at 7.15 will conduct a song and praise service. At 7 45 the Epworth League will serve Epworth League refreshments free to all who may come. Come early or you may not find a seat. The choir has prepared a special program of music for the night service. The pastor, Rev. E. Gillam delivered addresses, at the invitation of, and under the supervision of the State Sunday School Association, at Connersville and several other towns this week. Come and hear him on Sunday at 11 a. m. Bring your friends. Always welcome.

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Meeting of Baptist State Convention--Happenings of the Week.

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The guests of the Alhambra hotel for the last week were Messrs. J. H Coleman, of Seattle, Wash., P. Highton, Sardis, Miss., Charlie York, of Greenville, Miss; C. T. Taylor and wife, of Jerico, Ark., G. W. Legerson, of Chicago, I. C. Chappee, of Greenville, Miss.

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The Baptist State Convention was largely attended by Methodist ministers.

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A reception at Mrs. Lottie Furguson, given by the Young Ladies' Guild Club of Avery Chapel, was a superb affair.

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Mrs. P. O. Jamison, of Yazoo City, Miss., is visiting her brother, Mr. C. H. Bauman.

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The Baptist State Convention at Metropolitan, Mich., was very largely attended by the State's messengers of God. It was said, though a false report, that some of our colored ministers were in the act of responding to each other in a fisticuff, but I can assure you that the Baptists have as good christian gentlemen as any denomination in existence. I myself take the responsibility as a defender of the Baptist denomination and defy the world of criticisms as the teachings of our Lord and Prophets. Those men are the salt of the earth, and shall forever lead, as our leader is the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

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The Baptist State Convention at the closing of their conference October 19th were escorted to the Howe Institute by Superintendent Lenister of the same school, where it was royally entertained with a delightful program by the Woman's Old and Orphans' Home Association.

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John Baptist, a prominent young man of this city, formerly of Vicksburg, Miss., is confined to his bed.

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I pray that every house may be crowded with The Freeman until it may be as Jesus said to the multitudes concerning the woman that poured the precious ointment upon him, "that wherever the gospel was preached it should be spoken of her." That wherever the colored people congregate themselves they may speak of The Freeman.

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The vice-president, Mrs. Emma Whitmore, of the Home Circle, has been ill for several days, but she is getting better. The Home Circle is now working hard trying to bring human pride in the minds of the colored people. We hold our meeting every Friday night, going from door to door reading the Scriptures, visiting the sick, donating to the poor. Number of members 46. Mrs. Mattie Ridley, president.

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New York, Oct. 16.—Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands, 8 9-16c; middling gulf, 8 13-16c. Sales, 715 bales.

New Orleans, Oct. 17.—Cotton easy. Sales, 4,500 bales. Ordinary, 6 5-16c; good ordinary, 7c; low middling, 7 13-16c; middling, 8¼c; good middling, 8½c; middling fair, 8¾c. Receipts, 16,982 bales; stock, 105,671 bales.

New York, Oct. 17.—Spot cotton closed quiet and 1-16c lower; middling uplands, 8½c: middling gulf, 8¾c. Sales, 300 bales.

NEW ORLEANS, Oct. 18.—Cotton easy. Sales, 5,800 bales. Ordinary, 6¼c; good ordinary, 6 15 16c; low middling, 7¾c; middling, 8 3-16c; good middling, 8 7-16c; middling fair, 8 11-16c. Receipts, 15,585 bales; stock, 93,506 bales.

New York, Oct. 18.—Spot cotton closed quiet; middling uplands, 8½c; middling gulf, 8¾c. Sales, 446 bales.

New Orleans, Oct. 19.—Cotton quiet. Sales, 2,100 bales. Ordinary, 6¼c; good ordinary, 6 15-16c; low middling, 7¾c; middling, 8 3-16c; good middling, 8 7-16c; middling fair, 8 11-16c. Receipts, 16 612 bales; stock, 104,918 bales.

New York, Oct. 19.—Cotton: Spot closed quiet; middling uplands, 8½c; middling gulf, 8¾c. Sales, 2,095 bales.

New Orleans, Oct. 21.—Cotton easy. Sales, 6,750 bales Ordinary, 6c; good ordinary, 6 11-16c; low middling, 7½c; middling, 7 5-16c; good middling, 8 3-16c; middling fair, 8 7-16c. Receipts, 17,168 bales; stock, 121,431 bales.

New York, Oct. 21.—Cotton quiet at ⅛c lower; middling uplands, 8⅜c; middling gulf, 8⅝c. Sales, 1,090 bales

New Orleans, Oct. 23.—Cotton steady. Sales, 745 bales Ordinary, 5 15-16c; good ordinary, 6⅝c; low middling, 7 7-16c; middling, 7⅞c; good middling, 8⅛c; middling fair, 8⅜c. Receipts, 18,530 bales; stock, 160,342 bales.

New York, Oct. 23.—Spot cotton closed quiet: middling uplands, 8⅜c; middling gulf, 8⅝c. Sales, 1,206 bales.

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